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EDITORIAL

This picture issue of a county historical magazine is a unique experiment. Its purpose is to collect and preserve the pictures of people, places, and events that comprise the history of Washington County.

In answer to our call for photographs taken from 1890 to 1910 we received over 500 pictures. From these we have selected about a hundred that in our opinion best show what life was like at the "turn of the century." Most of these pictures have never before been published. Some, like the scene at the arrival of the first train in Fayetteville are extremely rare.

We have tried to show what country schools were like before consolidation. What farming and fruit growing were like before the advent of the tractor. Entertainment and social activities of 60 years ago. Campus life at the University in the Gay Nineties. Business life and county officials. Family groups and a few interesting individuals. Early Springdale, Prairie Grove,Lincoln, West Fork, Winslow, Goshen.

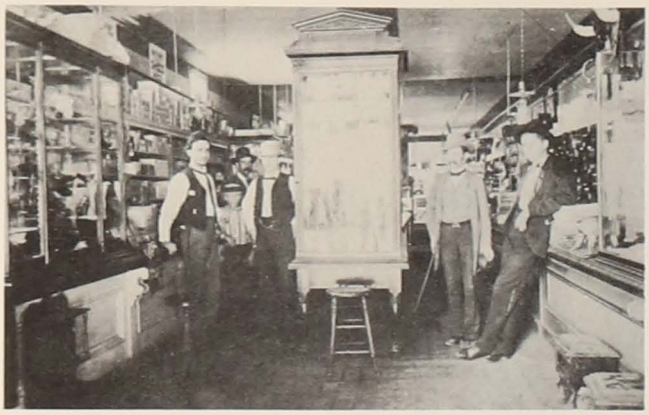
We plan to follow this "Turn of the Century" issue with another picture number next year, to be called "The Roaring Twenties." And in 1962 another picture edition to portray the pioneer days, the Civil War, the founding of the University. Eventually, we hope to produce a photographic Who's Who ofthe pioneer and later families that made Washington County great.

This special picture edition of FLASHBACK is being sent to all who have paid their 1961 dues to the Washington County Historical Society. Our 1960 membership totaled 364. We should have 500 members next year, and if this bonus edition will bring in 146 new members, we will be repaid for the effort and expense of this special issue.

We would be ungrateful if we did not acknowledge the services of those who have hunted out and secured for us the many old photographs that are reproduced in this issue. We have drawn heavily on the collections owned by John A.Reed, L. W. Searcy, Mrs. Daisy Young Holcomb, Z. Lytton Reagan, J. Fay Reed, Mrs. J.S. Bates, Robert R. Logan, Frank M. McConnell, T. Ewing Shelton, and others. Single photos were contributed by many different individuals. We thank all of them.

Here, then, in this picture age, is the first number of a county historical magazine that consists almost entirely of pictures. We hope it will give our readers both information and entertainment.

W. J. LEMKE, editor of publications,
Washington County Historical Society



REED & FERGUSON'S STORE

about 1890

L. to r.: John A. Reed, Joe Dickson, Wythe Walker, Wallace Ferguson.

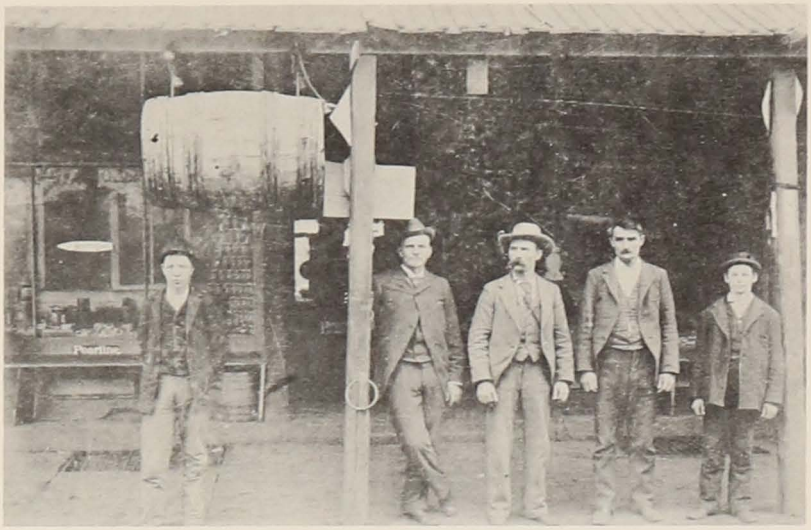
McILROY DRY GOODS COMPANY

On lower floor; Miss Jackson, Mr. Cannon, Chas. Blanchard, C. H. Oates.

On balcony: unidentified except Miss Pulley.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK, about 1888

L. to r.: Miss May Curry, White Walker, S. P. Pittman, Nathan Combs, B. R. Davidson, Theo F. Jones, Fred Jones, A. L. Williams, Jim Williams. In stairway: Mack McRoy, whose print shop was upstairs.



Unidentified store in Fayetteville 1890. Believed to be Mulholland's.

C. C. Conner Grocery
1890

C. C. Conner at left
W. C. (Clint) Conner second from right. Poley Carlisle third from right. Others unidentified.

Campbell & Bell
about 1905

Recognizable are Squire Jackson (white beard), A. J. Campbell and Waymon Brown.

NEWS ITEMS
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---1960---

The 1961 membership card of the Washington County Historical Society carries pictures of the University's "Old Main" and the McIlroy Bank, in honor of the 90th birthday of both of these institutions.

The history of the University was published in book form in 1912 (Reynolds and Thomas) and in 1948 (Harrison Hale). However, FLASHBACK has uncovered some little-known historical material pertaining to the University -- for example, the report of the hearing in Little Rock in 1919 of charges against President J.C.Futrall. This material will appear in an early issue of FLASHBACK.

Much has been published, during the past 90 years, about the romantic history of the McIlroy Bank, now the "Oldest Bank in Arkansas." In the next issue of FLASHBACK (February 1961) we will publish a documented account of the beginning and growth of this "oldest" financial institution. The article will be illustrated with old photos of the Bank, built in 1871, at the same time and by the same contractor (W. Zera Mayes) as "Old Main" at the University. There will also be reproductions of the oil paintings that hang in the McIlroy Bank, of William, James H., and Hayden McIlroy.

Also in preparation for FLASHBACK are several other important articles, including "The Bench and Bar of Washington County", by Oscar E. Williams, and "The History of Cincinnati, Arkansas", by Ruth Holt Payne. These articles will appear in early issues of FLASHBACK.

The last 1960 number in our WCHS booklet series was "Captain Edward Gee Miller of the 20th Wisconsin", copies of which are still available at $2. Scheduled for early publication in 1961 are "The Tuttles and the Cunninghams of Old Mt. Comfort", by Julia S. Reed, "The Smith and Cates Families" by MargaretAnn Troutman, "The Walker Family Portraits" and several Civil War numbers. Since we print only 100 (200 of the Captain Miller diary), we again remind our readers that back numbers of our booklets are difficult to find. And they are apt to be expensive. "The Edmiston Family", which we published four years ago and sold for $1, is now worth $2. We will buy back ten copies at this price. We need these to complete the files of several individual and college libraries.

The Mary Shelton School at 223 East Dickson Street, Fayetteville
(Photo courtesy T. Ewing Shelton)

Willie Yates' Birthday Party, August 28, 1895

Will Yates 7th birthday party was held at the family home on the southwest corner of College avenue and Spring street. In the picture are, front row: Chalmers and Ashley Boles, Wear Chism, George Cleveland, Sam Davies, Burney Whitlow, John Wood, Louise Williams, Josie Owen, Fannie Wood, Loy Bishop.

Second row: Ara Mitchell, Ruby Jarrell, Lucille Chism.

Third row: Unidentified, Sybil Mitchell, Z. L. Reagan, Mrs. Morrow, Erma Neely, Dan Andrews, Jesse Cleveland, Hosea Williams, Vernon Harding, Helen Neely.

Top row: Mrs. Ward, Miss Hazel Yates, George Minnick, Will Yates, Elsie Moore, Lucille Berry, Mrs. W. N. Yates.

(Photo courtesy Z. L. Reagan)

Lee Van Winkle, Lina X Reed, John A. Reed

(Front row): Maude Reed, Lottie Short, Miss Hook.

(Middle row): Nan McGavock, Nettie Davis, Lina X Reed.

(Back row): Annie Dell, Jessie Waterman.

(June 1887)

L. to r.: Bob McIlroy, Wythe Walker, Kate McIlroy, Emma Coffey, Belle Coffey Healy, Charles Healy.

BRADEN SCHOOL (Highway 45 East) 1890

Miss Lola Ellis, teacher

The Same Braden School a Few Years Later

Teacher, J. S. Bates

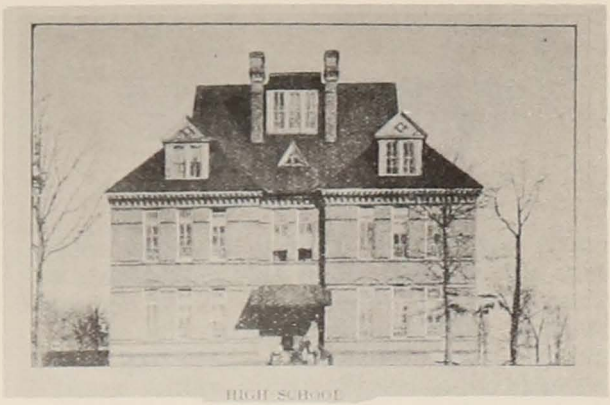
(Left):

CHI OMEGA

(Inset): Dr. Charles Richardson who helped Chi Omega get started.

SORORITY GROUPS AT THE UNIVERSITY
in the Gay 90s

(At right):
Singer in recital on stage of Old Main about 1895.

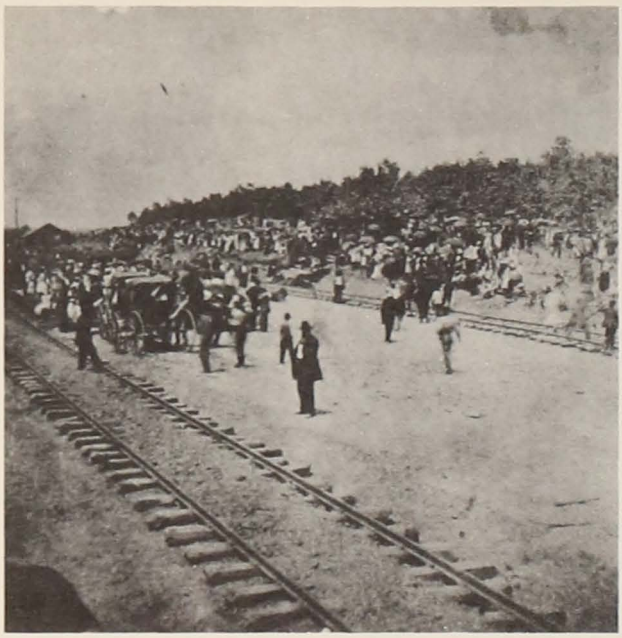


HIGH SCHOOL

FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
of the 1880s
also known as North School
and Washington School

(At left) Four teachers. Standing left is Miss Annie Putman. Others not identified.

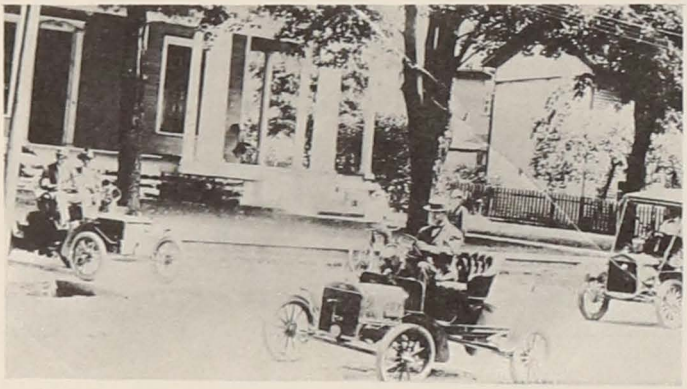
FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL FACULTY IN THE '80s. First row, left to right: Miss Mattie Morrow, Miss Fannie Botefuhr, Miss Mollie Dickson, Miss Mollie Shelton. Second row: Miss Lila Rollston, Miss Annie Putman, Prof. N. P. Gates, principal, Miss Mary Davis, Miss Alice Gates.



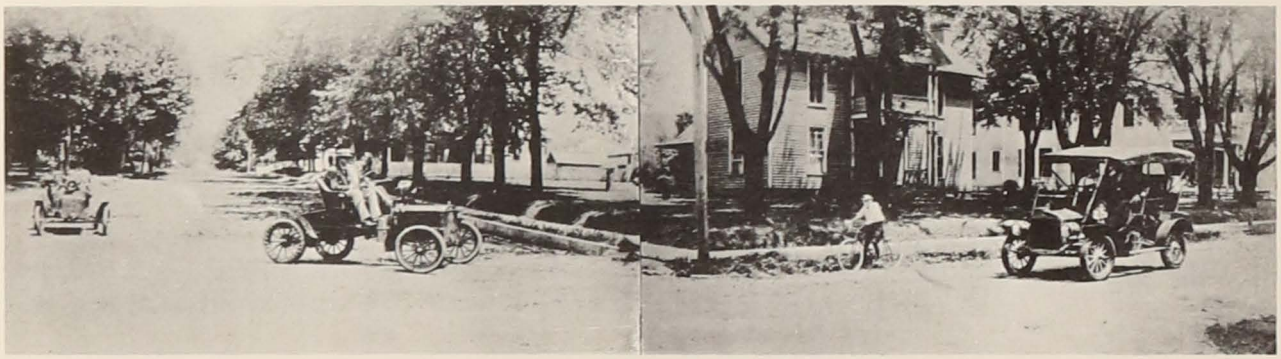
Awaiting the arrival of the
FIRST TRAIN INTO FAYETTEVILLE
June 8, 1881.

This rare old photo is reproduced from a stereo (double) photograph in the collection of Z. L. Reagan. It shows part of the estimated crowd of 5,000 persons who gathered in the north end of town (near where North Street now crosses the Frisco tracks) to greet the arrival of the first train.

FAYETTEVILLE'S FIRST AUTOMOBILES



Fayetteville's first automobiles were owned, and driven in the picture, by Harry Baum, Dr. Otey Miller and Dr. Charles Richardson. The picture below was taken at the corner of Lafayette and Washington — with the Mulholland home in the background. Photo courtesy Mrs. J. S. Bates



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---1960---

Fifty members attended the meeting of our Society on Nov. 23 at the Mountain Inn. President Roy Scott introduced several visitors from out of town, one of whom was Guy Phillips of California who was Mayor of Fayetteville in 1913. Tom Feathers gave a short talk oh how to conduct a search for historical material. W. J. Lemke, acting secretary, announced several Society projects for 1961. An auction of donated historical relics was held and $60 added to our special equipment fund. A nutmeg grater brought $3, a stereoscope $5 and a cut-glass pitcher $10.

---WCHS---

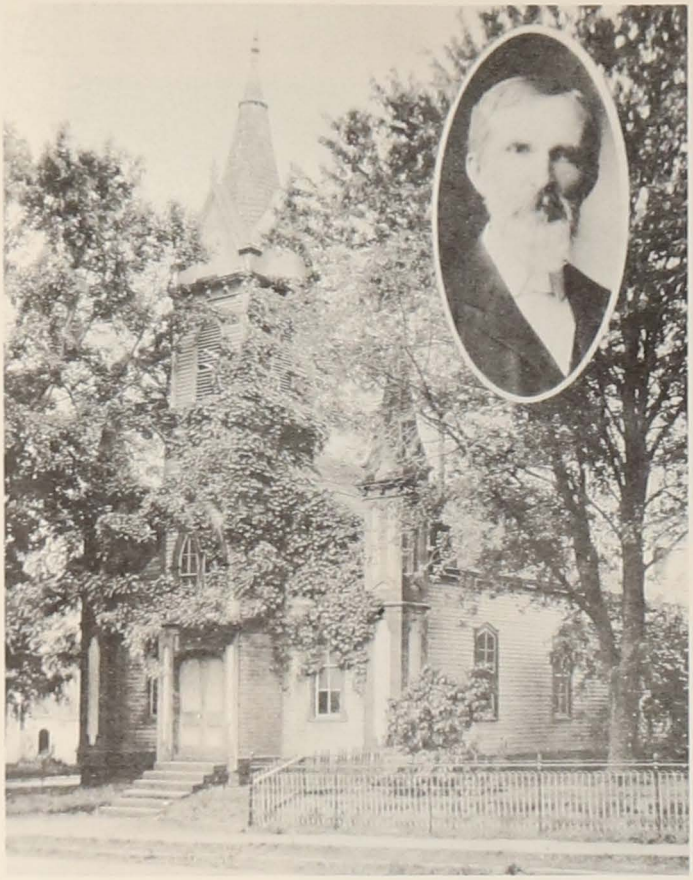
Before his departure for Turkey in September 1960, our WCHS secretary, Deane G. Carter, prepared an Index for the first ten volumes of FLASHBACK. We have received so many requests for an Index that we have decided to publish Mr. Carter's "Subject Index" for the first ten volumes. This Index will be out in February 1961 and will sell for 50¢.

---WCHS---

Our Society has acquired photostatic copies of some rare old Washington County letters that now repose in the Clara Eno collection of the Arkansas History Commission in the Old State House, Little Rock. These letters add to our knowledge of business activities in Washington County in ante-bellum days and of the great struggle between Union and Confederate sympathizers in 1860-61. The writersof these letters were:

J. W. Lasater, Mt.Comfort, Oct. 17, 1844
W. S. Oldham, Fayetteville, Sept. 15, 1844
Samuel F. Newton, Boonsboro, July 15, 1845
Martin Thornberry, Sylva, June 4, 1851
Jas. R. Parks, Cincinnati, Apr. 12, 1854
W. H. Rhea, Cincinnati, Mar. 12, 1856
T. M. Gunter, Fayetteville, Jan. 28, 1861
Mark Bean, Cane Hill, Jan. 30, 1861
Wm. Quesenbury, Fayetteville, Feb. 21, 1861
Wm. Quesenbury, Fayetteville, Feb. 28, 1861
Dick Bean, Boonsboro, Feb. 21, 1861
John Buchanan, Boonsboro, Mar. 19, 1861
Mrs. M.J.Tebbetts, Fayetteville, Sept.21, 1862
John Buchanan, Cane Hill, Jan. 12, 1864

There is also a Bill of Lading for a shipment of goods to four Washington County firms, shipped by T.A.Kendig & Co. at Napoleon, Ark., on the steamboat Umpire #3, dated Apr. 26, 1853.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville
built 1876

and the REV. S. W. DAVIES,
first pastor.

This church stood on North College avenue near the corner of Spring street. It was replaced in 1904 by the brick church that was just recently (1960) torn odwn.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH CHOIR, about 1900

1. Harry Whitlow
2. Eugene Harding
3. Russell Gregg
4. Alpha Goss
5. Huetta Vaulx
6. Hayden McIlroy
7. Vernon Harding
8. George Minnick
9. Joe Nix
10. Reverend Vaulx
11. Alvis Reed
12. Bill Yates
13. Lucile Barry
14. Jessie Smith
15. Clarence Flood
16. Fay Blanchard
17. Eleanor Vaulx
18. Bates Reed
19. Mr. Webber
20. Chas. Harding
21. Whit Massengale
22. Geo. Buckner
23. Carl Van Jaegerfeld
24. Mrs. Geo. Chase
25. Gordon Vaulx
26. Brodie Payne
27. Ed Leverett
28. Sam Paine
29. Arthur Harding

LOG SCHOOL HOUSES
at the
Turn of the Century

(Unidentified)

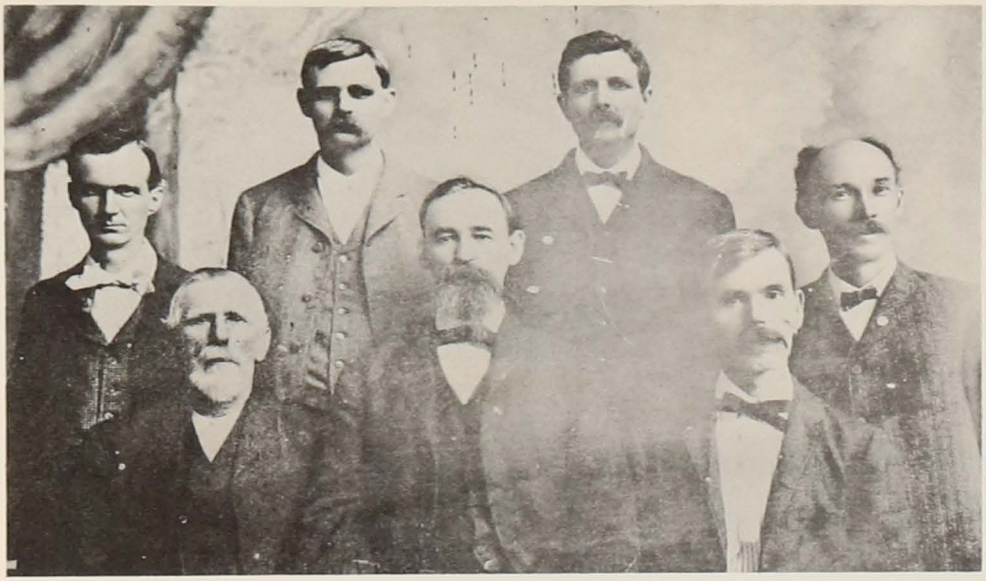
(Above)

BLACK OAK SCHOOL
1896
Will Hensley,
Teacher

—

Deen
King
Horner
Scott
Cheshire
Waggert
Johnson
Mason
Singleton
Fincher
Rudd

No. 160 - Between Sunset and Winslow



COUNTY OFFICIALS 1900

Front row, l. to r.: Y. G. Baird, treasurer; Judge Berry; Bill Morton, circuit clerk.

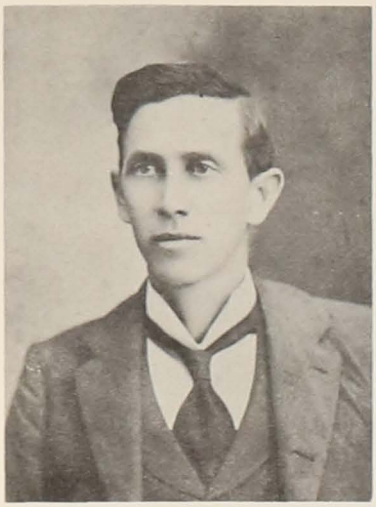
Back row: William Walker Bishop, J.P.; Frank Holcomb, deputy sheriff; Will Rollins, sheriff; Clifford P. Boles, county clerk.

SHERIFFS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY 1872 to 1912

Front row: George Pettigrew, John Oxford, George Deen, I. G. Combs, George Lake.

Back row: Sam Caudle, Kit Phillips, Will Rollins, Judge Berry.

FAYETTEVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY 1895



W. N. GLADSON
Telephone Engineer

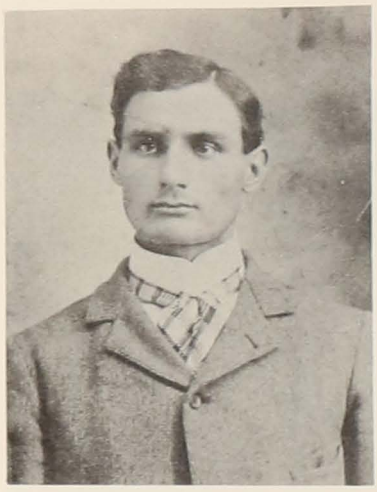
MISS MAGGIE JACKSON
and
MISS LOLA ELLIS

Operators
1895 to 1902

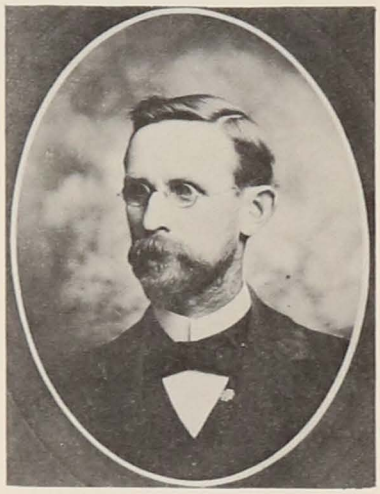
Telephone service came to Fayetteville in 1895 when W. N. Gladson and W. B. Bentley of the University faculty organized the Fayetteville Telephone Company with 47 subscribers.

The first operator was Miss Lola Ellis who was at the switchboard from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. University students were employed as relief and night operators. When call by number was inaugurated in 1897 the operators had to memorize numbers of all subscribers.

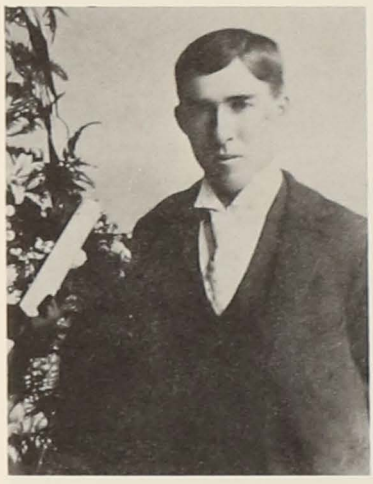
PROF. W. B. BENTLEY
Treasurer



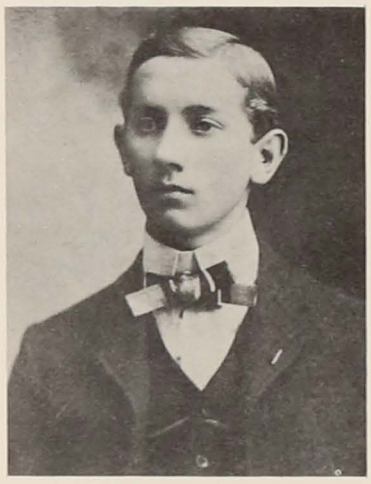
A. K. BUSBY
Night Operator



C. E. HOUGHTON
Part Owner



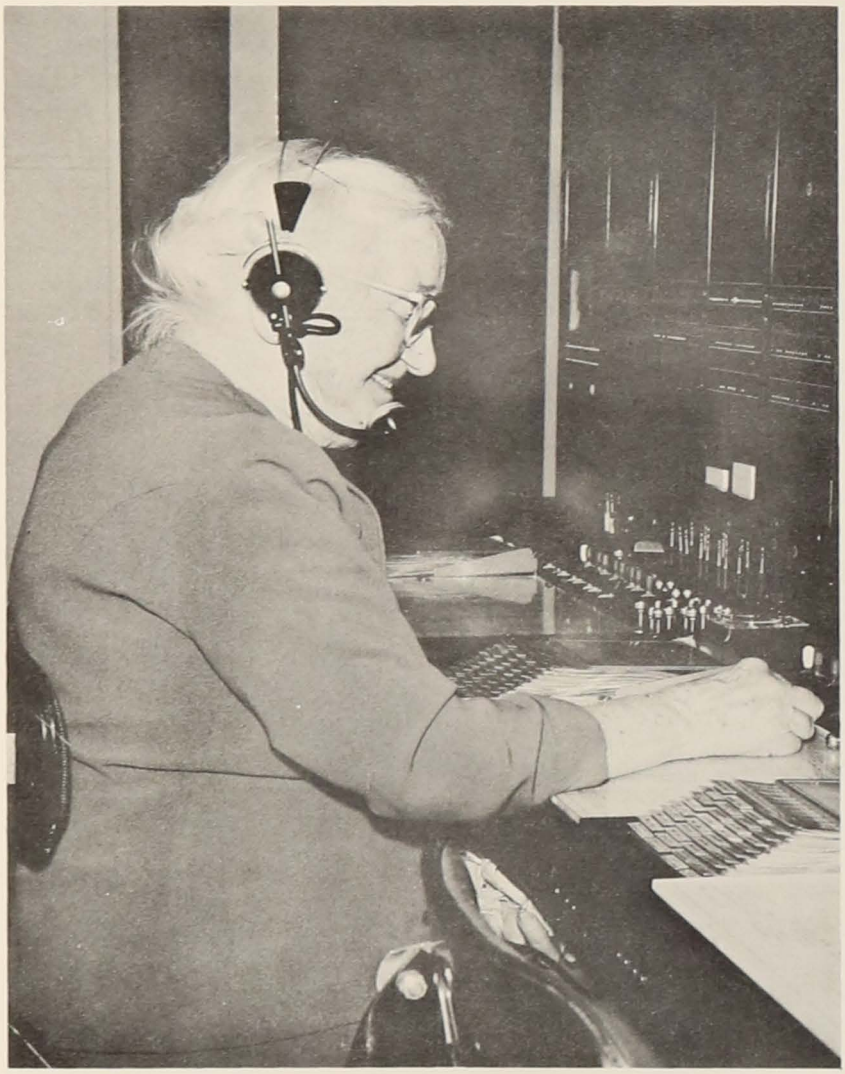
FILMORE, UA Student
Night Operator



CHAS. DAVENPORT
Messenger boy

MISS LOLA ELLIS

First operator,
Fayetteville Telephone Company
1895-1902



(Above)
Miss Ellis as she looked when she was Fayetteville's first telephone operator in 1895.

(At left)
This picture was taken 60 years later (Sept. 15, 1955) when Miss Ellis was honored by the Telephone Pioneers of America and admitted to membership in the Ozark Life Member Club of Telephone Pioneers.

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Our Society has published 37 booklets to date. Usually we print only 100 copies of each number, which repays us for the cost of producing them. We occasionally guess wrong. Thus, we are stuck with 50 copies of the "J.L.Dickson Journals" ($1). In contrast, we sold out our supply of "Cherokee Notes" and could have sold another hundred copies of this book by J.M.Carselowey. Those of our members who want a complete set of our publications should send in an order to that effect. It is difficult to secure back numbers when they are out of print.

---WCHS---

What many of our WCHS members don't know is that subscriptions to FLASHBACK from college and high school libraries cause us a lot of extra work. We are, of course, glad to get their memberships. But before we can get their $3 checks, we must submit bill in quintuplicate (University of Texas), quadruplicate (Arkansas Tech), triplicate (Los Angeles Public Library), and in various quantities to other libraries. Being short of help, we would pass up these library memberships, except for such letters as those from one of our members who found FLASHBACK in the Los Angeles Public Library and Miss Mary Cox who wrote us: "I was in the State Library at Nashville, Tenn., last month and what do you think I saw there? Nothing less than 'The Pyeatts and the Carnahans' published by the Washington County Historical Society, nicely bound and on the shelves with the family genealogies."

---WCHS---

The Washington County Library is trying to complete its file of FLASHBACK in order to have the ten volumes permanently bound. They lack the following numbers:

1951 - No. 3	1954 - Nos. 1,2,3
1952 - Nos. 3,4,5,6	1959 - Nos. 3 and 4
1953 - Nos. 3 and 6	1960 - Nos. 1 and 3

If any of our members can supply these missing number, please telephone or write to Mrs.Hazel Deal, county librarian, Fayetteville, Ark.

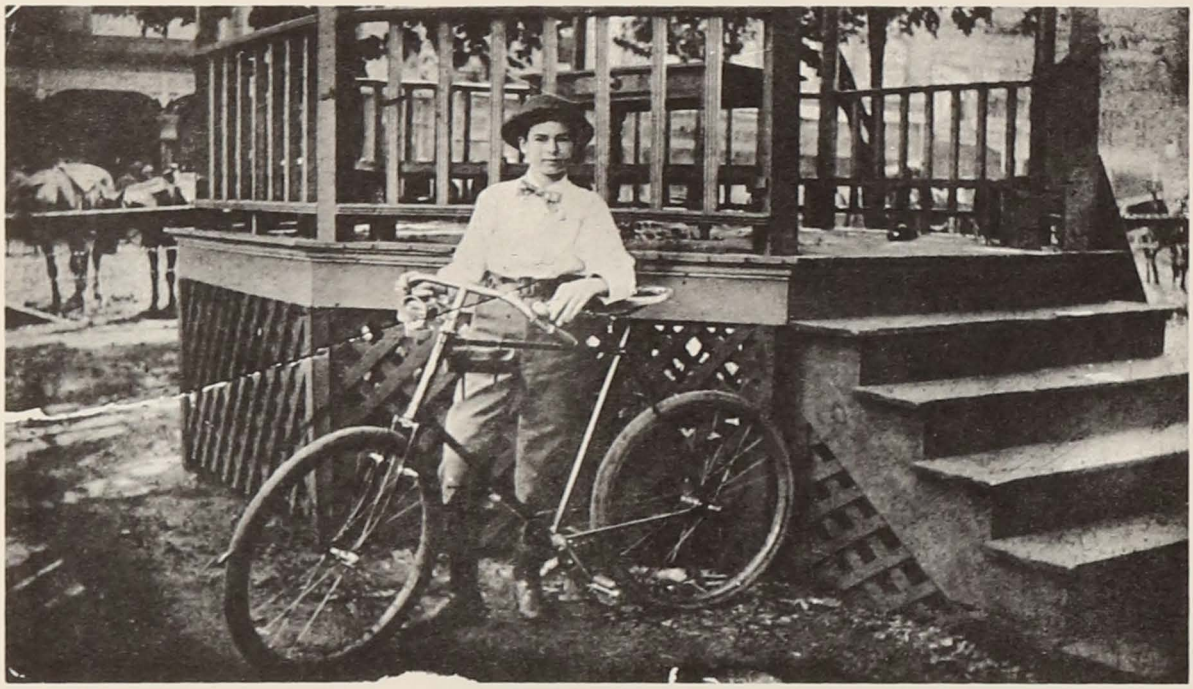
---WCHS---

Your president (Scott) and editor (Lemke) recently visited the home of Springdale's leading authority on local history, E.W.Searcy. Many of the pictures in this issue of FLASHBACK are from his collection. Mrs. Searcy is librarian of the Springdale Public Library, one of the few Arkansas libraries that has a complete bound file of FLASHBACK.

EARLY FAYETTEVILLE BICYCLES

At left: J. Fay Reed demonstrating what the well-dressed cyclist wore in the Gay Nineties. This was undoubtedly one of Fayetteville's first bicycles. Mr. Reed is still living at 323 Fletcher avenue and the photo is from his collection of old Fayetteville pictures.

Below: ROY NIX with his bicycle shortly after the turn of the century. Note the band stand in Fayetteville's old public square, where the post office now is (1960).



O. C. GRAY

Born 1832 in Maine. Supt. of Schools in Minneapolis. Taught in St. John's College, Little Rock. Served four years in Confederate army. Eight years on University faculty, then Supt. of Schools in Fayetteville. Mayor 1886-88.

A. S. GREGG

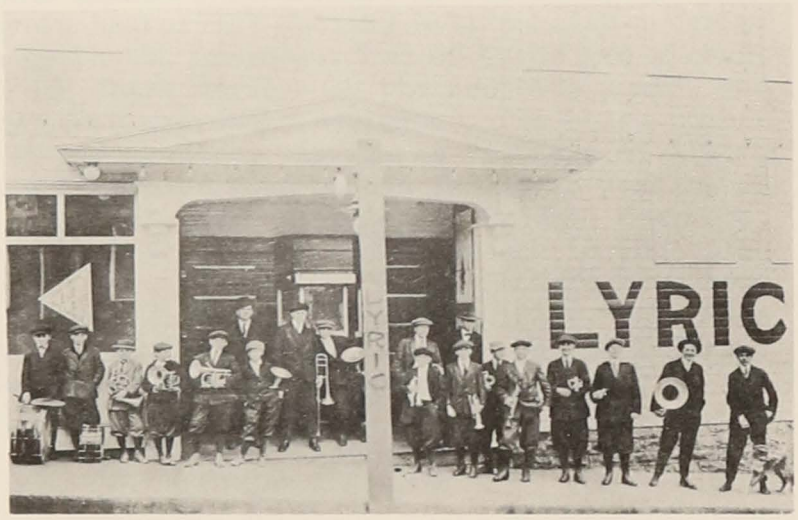
Born 1827 in Alabama. Parents settled at Oxford Bend 1835. Was elected Sheriff 1861. Clerked in State Treasurer's office during the War. Then eight years as Circuit Clerk in Fayetteville.

H. J. McROY—A Forty-Niner

CHAS. von BERG—Indian Scout

A Kirmess in Woods Opera House, Fayetteville, June 10, 1892. The two gentlemen in the back row are Fay Reed and Wythe Walker. Among the ladies are Aggie James, Gussie Ferguson, Gertie Gunter, Gert Smith and Mattie Taylor.

Memorial Day parade on south side of Fayetteville's public square. 1904.



Frank Barr and his boys' band in front of Lyric Theater at corner of Meadow and North Block streets.

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Mrs. A.L.Gregg of Springdale has loaned our Society her rare collection of Baptist church records. We are now engaged in copying the important history that these "Association Minutes" contain and will publish this material early in 1961. Some of the records date back to 1850. The items in which we are most interested are the annual "Minutes" of the following Baptist Associations for the years named:

Bentonville Baptist Association - 1868 to 1885
Fayetteville Baptist Association - 1885 to 1918
Washington County Baptist Association - 1918 to 1940
Washington-Madison County Baptist Association - 1941 to 1957

These 81 booklets are in excellent condition. Each one contains a list of the churches (most of them in Washington County), names of pastors, membership figures, etc. We are grateful to Mrs.Gregg for the loan of this valuable historical collection, especially since outside groups have been trying to get possession of it.

---WCHS---

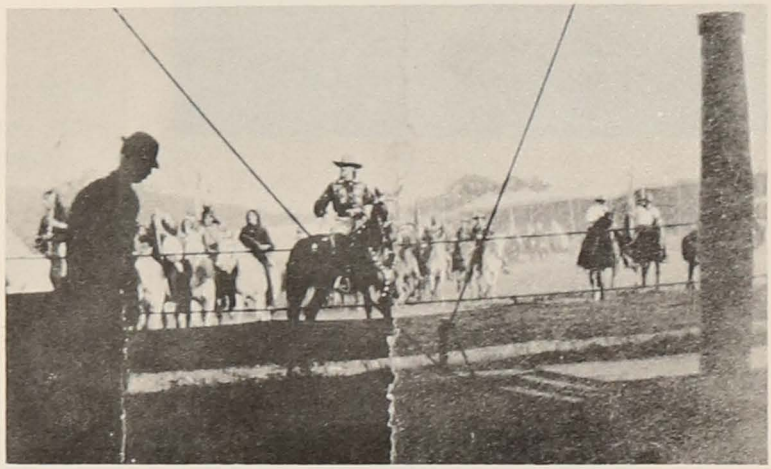
Our Society thanks the Misses Willie and Nell Kantz and Fred Kantz for the gift of old and unusual books from the library of their father, Luke L. Kantz. Also thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood for the gift of several hundred volumes from the library of the late C.M.Lawson. These books, along with some from the N.M.Ragland, H.D.Wood, F.S.Root, J.M. Pittman and J.H.Pyeatt collections will be sold at our annual Book Fair in February. A book is of little value unless someone is using it.

---WCHS---

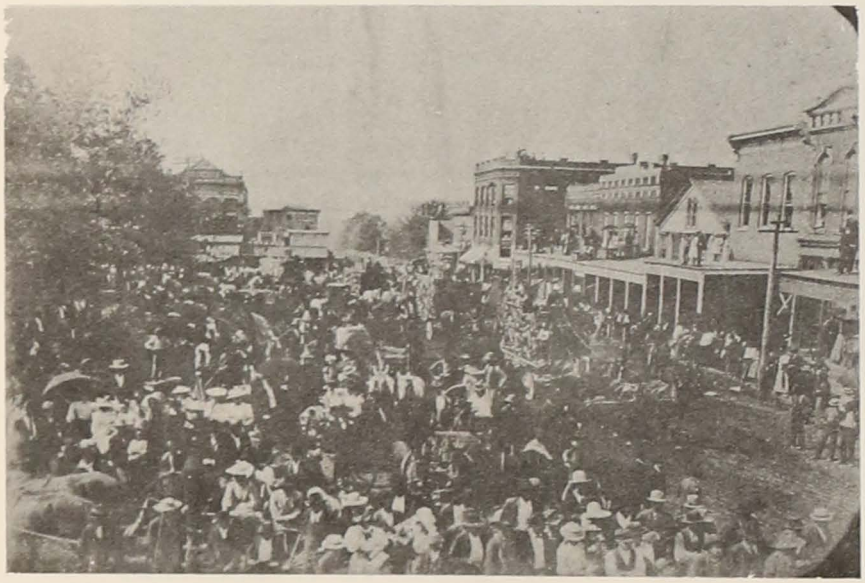
As its contribution to the nation's observance of the Civil War Centennial,the Washington County Historical Society will publish a series of booklets on the War in northwest Arkansas. Two of these are already in print: Joe Scott's "Four Years Service in the Southern Army" and Capt. Edw.G.Miller's diary (20th Wisconsin regiment). The third number in this series is scheduled for January. It is the "Letters of Albert O. McCollom." These letters were written to his family in Washington County (Rieff's Chapel) by a Confederate soldier in Brooks' regiment, from his enlistment at Cato Springs in 1861 to his death in the military prison at Little Rock on Nov. 17, 1864. These letters have been made available to us by Charles W. Stewart of Fayetteville, who is a great-grandson of Ransom C. McCollom, a brother of the Confederate soldier who wrote these letters a hundred years ago.

---WCHS---

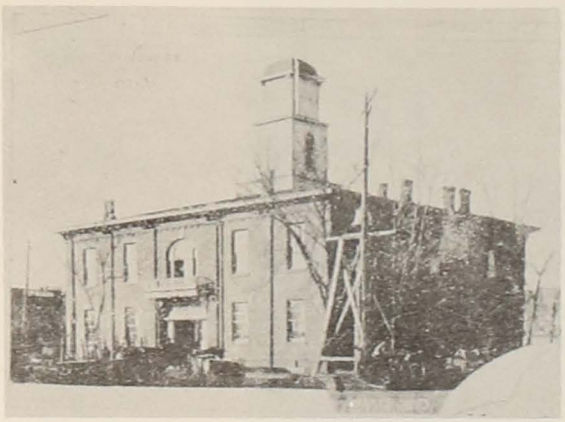
(At left) Portable electric light plant as it appeared in Buffalo Bill's "Wild West" parade on the Fayetteville public square.



(At right) Buffalo Bill leading his "Wild West" troup at the Fayetteville Fair Grounds.

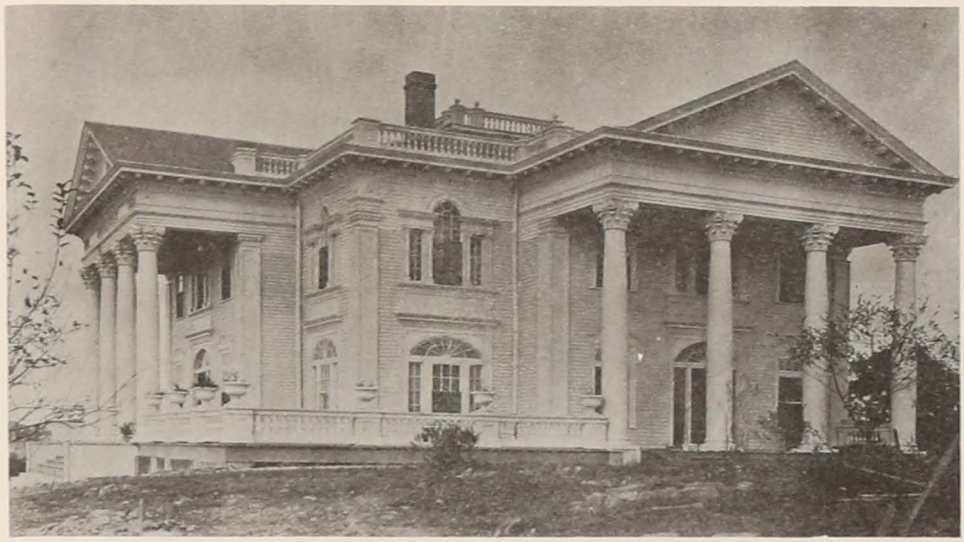


Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey circus parade on north side of the Fayetteville public square. The show grounds were on East Maple Street.



Washington County Court House which stood where Post Office now stands. Torn down in 1904.

(Right) Present Court House, erected in 1904 by George W. Donaghey, contractor, later Governor of Arkansas.



THE ARKANSAS BUILDING ON MT. NORD

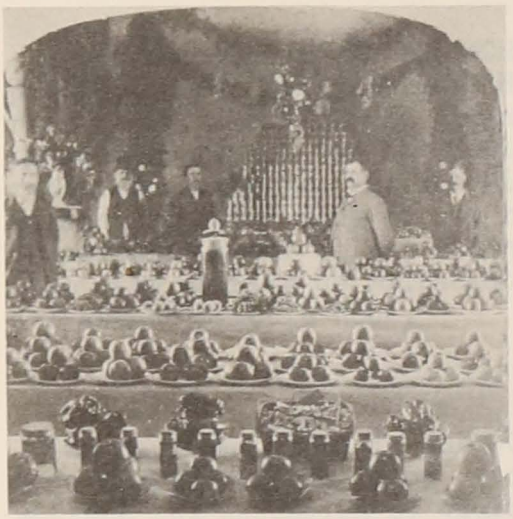
This picture was taken shortly after the removal of the structure from St. Louis where it had served as the Arkansas Building at the 1904 World's Fair. Owner of the building was A. F. Wolf.

FAYETTEVILLE'S LAST SURVIVING EX-SLAVES

The photograph below, a composite of five individual pictures, was made by B. E. Grabill, Fayetteville photographer, about 1910. Grabill titled his picture "The Old South" and sold 5,000 copies.

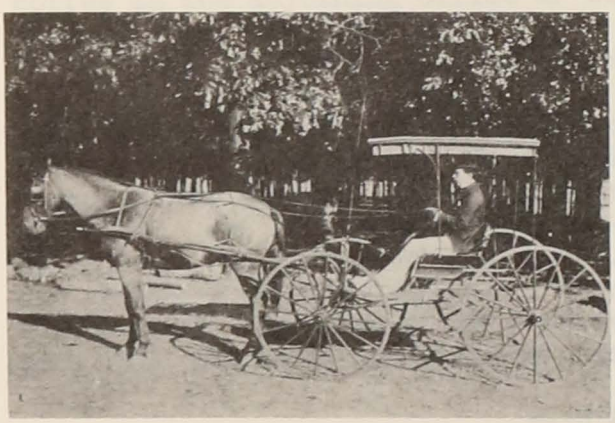
Officers of the Cadet Corps University of Arkansas, about 1905

Cadet Officers of Arkansas Industrial University 1890: Sponsor, Minnie H. Crump (Mrs. Ford M. Garvin; Sitting: Harvey Wilkerson, Walter Hippolite, (Judge) T. H. Humphreys, Fred Hippolite. Standing: M. F. Duffy, Will Vaughan, W. E. Dixon.



Apple Exhibit at Springdale's Horticultural Fair, about 1900.

Arrival of WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN at Springdale depot, July 24, 1899, for his speech at the Springdale Chautuaqua. Note Bryan on back of platform, with his palmleaf fan.



J. Fay Reed with his surrey of the Gay Nineties.

Alvis and Bates Reed and their pony "Sparkle" 1901.

NEWS ITEMS
from the
WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

---1960---

Your president and editor recently spent several hours with Alvin Seamster, the Pea Ridge historian, at his home a short distance east of Elkhorn Tavern. He has a fine collection of guns and other relics pertaining to the battle. Also, he has a large accumulation of land patents, Confederate currency, letters and other documents, many of which pertain to the early history of Benton and Washington counties. It is a pleasure to visit with Mr. Seamster because he always comes up with some newly-discovered historical records. He is a long-time member of our WCHS.

---WCHS---

A welcome visitor to our WCHS office Nov. 15 was W. M. Hackett, proprietor of the Arkansas Book House in Little Rock. He deals in old and rare books, particularly Arkansiana. On his recent visit he paid for three memberships in our Society and acquired a supply of our most recent booklets -- Captain Miller's Civil War diary and the "William Wilson Records." Any of our readers, particularly libraries, who seek to complete their files, whether of FLASHBACK orof our booklet series, might try writing to Mr.Hackett at the Arkansas Book House, West Capitol avenue, Little Rock.

---WCHS---

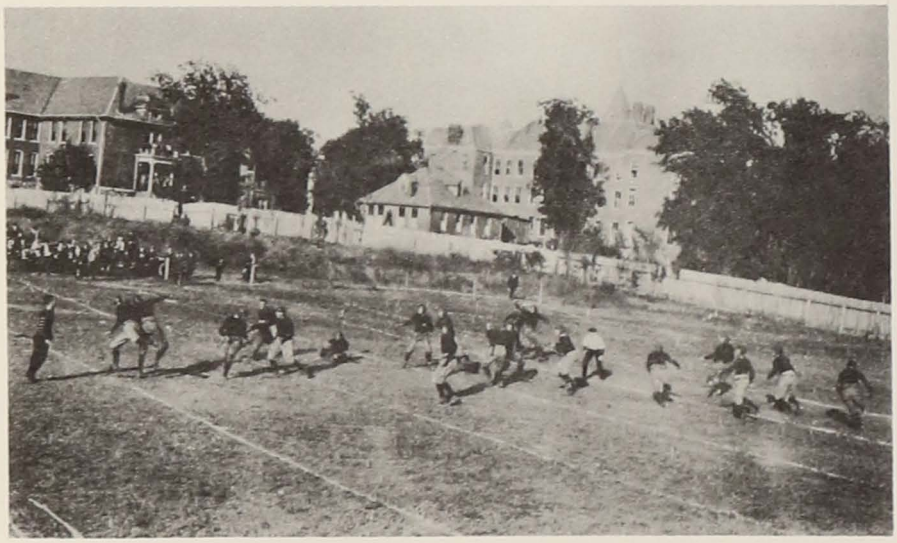
The handsome desk in our WCHS office, which was presented to us by Mrs. Mertye McIlroy Bagby from the Mulholland estate, continues to attract the attention of visitors to our office at 12½ E.Center street. The desk is a beauty. It was re-finished by our secretary, Deane G. Carter, before his departure in September for Turkey. Our members are invited to visit our office and inspect the desk. And to have a cup of coffee in the adjoining office of our president, Roy A. Scott.

---WCHS---

A visit to the office of Gus Eidson at the Springdale Lumber Company produced a collection of Springdale public school records of a half century ago. Mr.Eidson also has some rare old history books, including one that we had not seen before -- "Thrilling Stories of the Great Rebellion", published in 1864 by Lt.Col. Charles S. Greene. Several of the chapters relating to events in northwest Arkansas are from Lt.Col. A.W.Bishop's "Loyalty on the Frontier," published in 1863. Mr.Eidson's book (500 pages) is an important historical rarity.

---WCHS---

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOOTBALL TEAM OF 1901



ACTION PHOTO OF AN EARLY U OF ARKANSAS FOOTBALL GAME

This is one of the earliest known photographs of an Arkansas intercollegiate game, probably about 1905. A remarkable picture, taken without benefit of modern high-speed equipment. Twenty players are shown in action on a forward-pass play. The buildings in the background are Gray, Jeff and Buck Halls.

(Photo courtesy Lyle Bryan)

REUNION OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS AT PRAIRIE GROVE

Left to right: S. P. Pittman, Y. J. Baird, C. G. Reagan, Jake McCoy, Jo Williams, James Smith, Gibson Hendricks, R. A. Sharp, Abe Dickinson, Sam Williams, Armstrong Hendricks, Jasper Farmer, B. A. Carl, Elijah F. Boone.

(Photo courtesy Z. L. Reagan)

REUNION OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS AT PEA RIDGE

This picture was made by R. W. Hansard, Bentonville photographer, who placed the names on the back of the picture. Left to right: A. J. Bates, Capt. J. C. Toney, Elias Scott, W. H. Ferguson, Col. T. J. Gibbs, T. W. Hoag, Samuel Box, Lieut. R. W. Hansard, J. B. Whittock, J. W. Williams, Thos. McSpadden, W. H. Hawes, W. B. Conley.

CONFEDERATE REUNION AT PRAIRIE GROVE

J. C. Hollobaugh
Dr. W. B. Welch
Pink Pittman
Judge R. O. Hanna
J. J. Baggett
W. C. Bain
J. T. Eason
Perry Davidson
Billy Scott
Armstrong Hendricks
White Walker
Hoyt Brewster
M. C. Peacock
Y. J. Baird
Bart Carl
R. F. Bell
Luke Kantz
A. B. Lewis
W. R. Wallace
Ed Pittman
John Kelton
A. Strickler
J. C. Toney
Jim Cunningham
B. C. Campbell
Dr. G. M. McCormick
Jim Fay Parks
B. H. Greathouse
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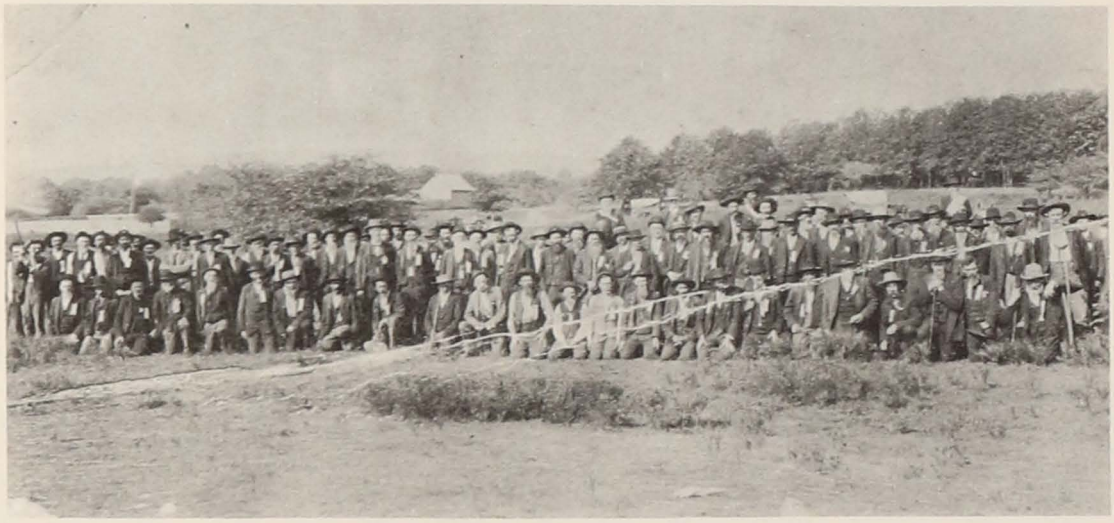

MEMORIAL DAY REUNION OF UNION VETERANS AT FAYETTEVILLE

PRAIRIE GROVE CAMP, UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Front row, left to right: A. Dixon, Albert Strickler, C. W. McClellan, John McClellan, L. B. Roady, William Cass, George W. Nixon, James C. Bain, Preston Patterson, ... Bell, B. A. Carl, W. E. Pittman, Robert O. Hannah.

Back row: William N. Scott, unidentified, G. W. (Dick) Morrow, unidentified, H. P. Green, William Allen, A. Allen, W. R. Wallace, B. C. Campbell, Robert W. Parks, James Norwood.

WIVES AND RELATIVES OF PRAIRIE GROVE CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Front row, left to right: Mrs. Mary Lake, unidentified, Mrs. Lyde Pyeatt, Mrs. Margaret Mock, Mrs. H. P. Green, Mrs. Julia Crawford, unidentified, Mrs. Mary Zellner, Mrs. Emilie Maupin, Mrs. Roberta Magruder, Miss Mary Campbell, Mrs. Cherry Scott.

Back row: Mrs. Susie Hannah, Mrs. Cynthia Bradshaw, Mrs. Jane Hannah, Mrs. Betsy T. Campbell, Mrs. Amanda Marlar, Mrs. Julia Pyeatt, Mrs. Tennie Parks, Mrs. Mollie Allen, Mrs. Juan Bell, Mrs. Nancy Staples, Mrs. Sallie Nixon, Mrs. Strickler, Mrs. Bain.

NEWS ITEMS
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WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

---1960---

Your editor has recently spoken on history to various groups, including the Fayetteville Rotary Club, the Retired Officers Group, Hillcrest Junior High School, Prairie Grove High School, and the Educational Secretaries convention in Little Rock. I am always glad to talk to school and civic groups -- provided they ask me a week or so in advance of their meeting. The D.A.C. have really give me advance notice -- I shall address that group next April.

---WCHS---

Descendants of Washington County pioneer families (before 1860) are showing much interest in our WCHS "Pioneer" certificates. These Certificates are issued only on request and by proof of pioneer ancestry. Seventy-four "Pioneer" certificates have been issued to date, although many more members of the Society are entitled to them. Write to President Roy A. Scott and ask for your certificate -- Box 237, Fayetteville, Ark.

---WCHS---

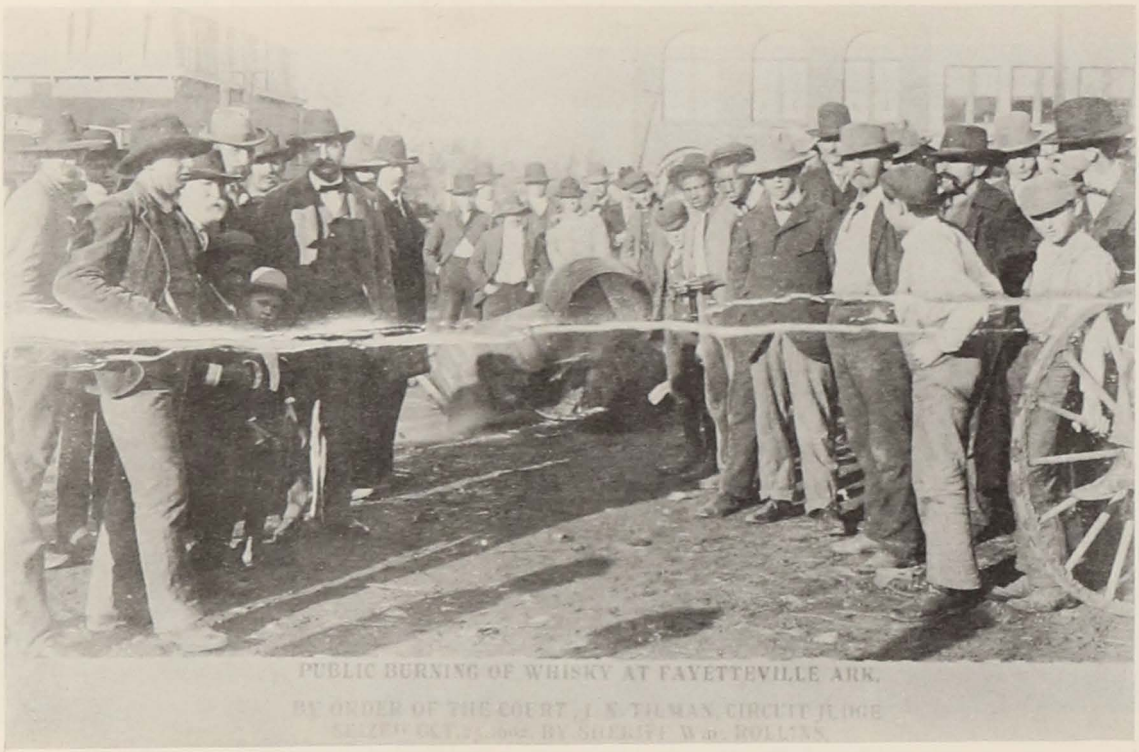
One of the best-known history columns in the Southwest is "Chronicles of Arkansas", which appears four times a week in the Arkansas Gazette. The "Chronicles" column is based on the outstanding collection of Arkansiana owned by J.N.Heiskell, editor of the Gazette. The editor of "Chronicles" is Margaret Smith Ross, alumna of the University of Arkansas. Both Mr.Heiskell and Mrs.Ross hold membership in the Washington County Historical Society. Some of our WCHS members are clipping the Gazette's "Chronicles" column and are mounting the clippings in scrapbooks. Alvin Seamster of Garfield and F.P.Rose of Rogers have almost complete collections.

---WCHS---

The Northwest Arkansas Times of Fayetteville, in its Nov. 15 issue, reported that high school students were picketing the corner of Dickson street and College avenue, in protest against the destruction of the fine old trees on the Lawson lot which is being turned into parking area. The present owner has assured our Society that he will preserve the bronze "Battle of Fayetteville" marker that was placed on this corner by the UDC. It will remain on the corner, surrounded by an ornamental flower bed.

---WCHS---

THE STRINGFIELD FAMILY of near Goshen, enroute to church, about 1895. (Photo courtesy Ernest Scott)



Whisky seized by Sheriff Rollins is burned on the Fayetteville Public Square, October 25, 1902.

Last Graduating Class of Prof. Shinn's Springdale College

Left to right, seated: Guy Phillips, Sophia Walker, Marie Keeney. Standing: Ethel Berry, Thad Berry, Cora Pritchard, John Young, Otto Christian, Elsie Daily. The school closed in June, 1901.

Faculty of Fayetteville Public Schools

J. C. Mitchell, superintendent. At left, Professor Root. At right, Professor Bates.

White House School 1897

Front row, l. to r.: 1. _____; 2. Gertie Ramey; 3. Matie Bogan; 4. Gaynell Stout; 5. Maggie White; 6. _____; 7. Lizzie Bogan; 8. Sallie Hanna; 9. Josie Hobbs; 10. _____; 11. Jessie Hobbs; 12. _____; 13. Wm. A. Thompson; 14. and 15. _____; 16. Hugh Hutchens; 17. Sherman Paschal; 18 and 19. _____.

Second row: 1. _____; 2. Ben Bassett; 3. Lula White; 4. Bessie Douglas; 5. Nora Hutchens; 6. Stella Hanna; 7. Iva Bassett; 8. A. L. Osburn, teacher; 9. _____; 10. Nora Stout; 11. Jimmy Bassett; 12. _____; 13. _____; 14. Cuthbert Hanna; 15 and 16. _____; 17. Everett Bassett; 18. Ika Arnold.

Back row: 1. Etter Hanna; 2. Myrtle Bogan; 3. Nora Mustin; 4. Todie Paschal; 5. Dollie Ramey; 6. Hattie Ramey; 7. Minnie White; 8. Wmma Ramey; 9. Agnes Hutchens; 10. Maude Hanna; 11. Daisey Ramey; 12. _____ Bogan; 13. John Paschal; 14. Everett Hanna; 15. John Hanna

(Photo courtesy F. M. McConnell)

Public School at Dutch Mills 1904

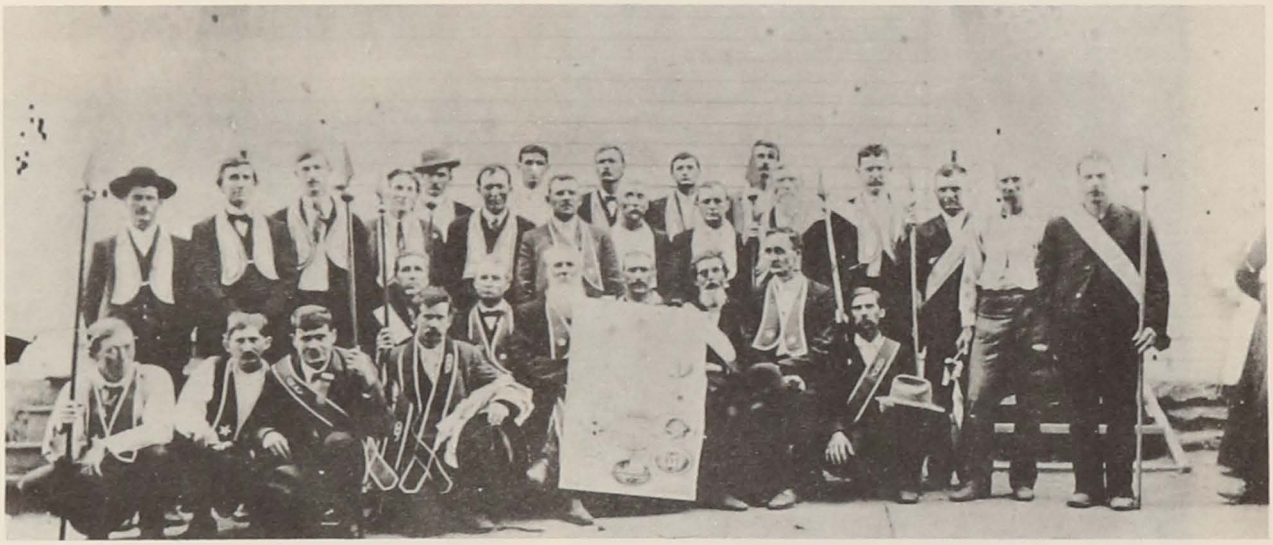
Professor Lawrence, teacher.

(Photo courtesy Felix Kimbrough)

A GROUP OF OLD-TIMERS AT SULPHUR CITY ABOUT 1898

Left to right: Jim Grebe, Sam Carrigan, George VanHoose, H. F. (Doc) Head, Shelby Holmes, George Hanshew Sr.

Back row: Joseph Williams, Ben F. Ramey, Paul F. Conger, E. M. Mabrey.



ODD FELLOWS LODGE AT SULPHUR CITY

Lodge moved from Harris, Ark. Nov. 4, 1905

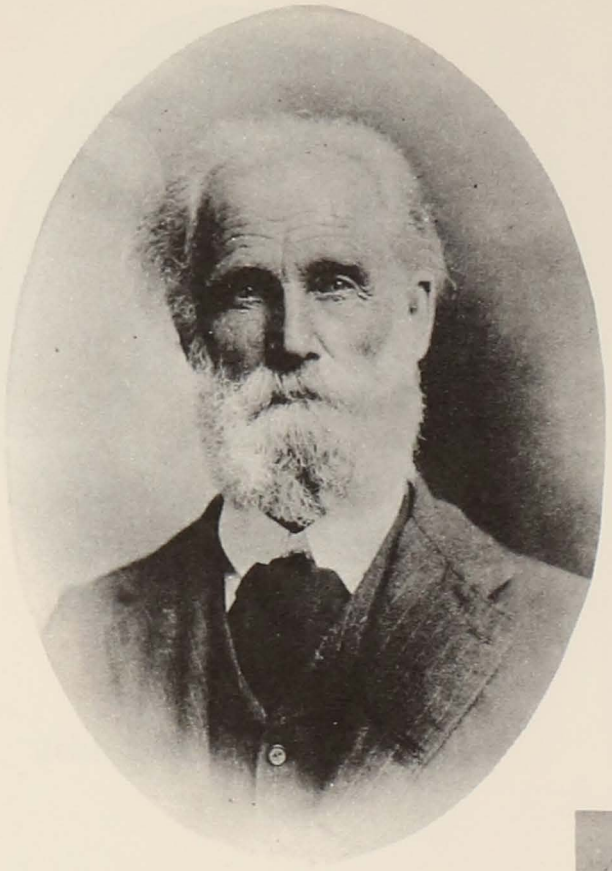
Left to right: front row kneeling: Ben F. Price, James Carrigan, James H. Shumate, James M. Sutton.

Seated: Joseph Williams, James N. Wilson, Samuel P. Carrigan, William Carrigan, William B. King, John L. McConnell, A. J. Wiles (kneeling).

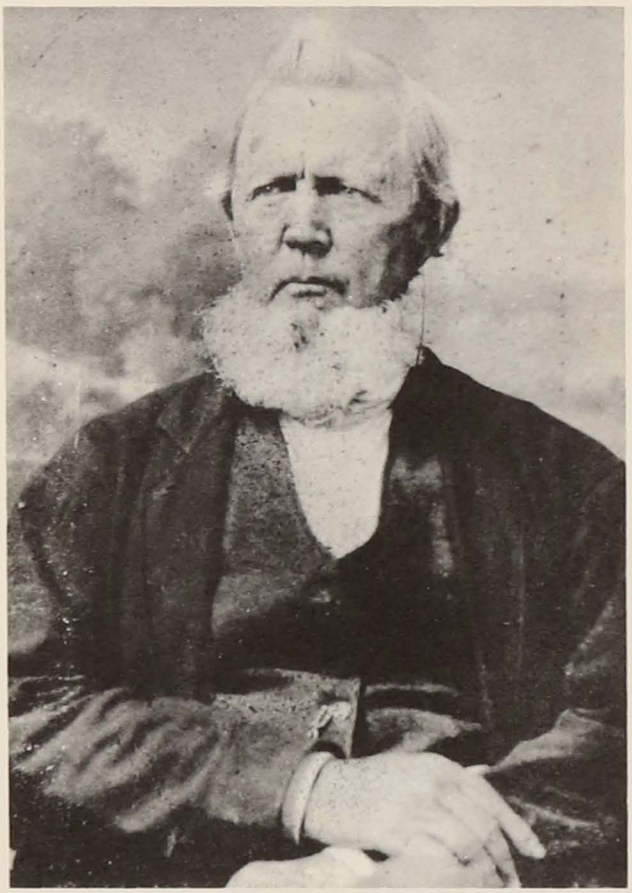
Back row, zig-zag, l. to r.: Miles Nichols, Albert Fincher, Cyrus Hill, Emmett Williams, Will Carrigan, Sabe Buris, Herbert Clark, A. W. Mintun, Henry Burris, J. A. Whitehouse, Will Dotson, Jody Arnett, Albert C. Lewis, Emory S. Shook, John H. Ray, N. B. Arnett, Enos P. Mills, Willie Mills.

Photo taken at Sulphur City school house about 1905. Lodge Hall was upstairs.

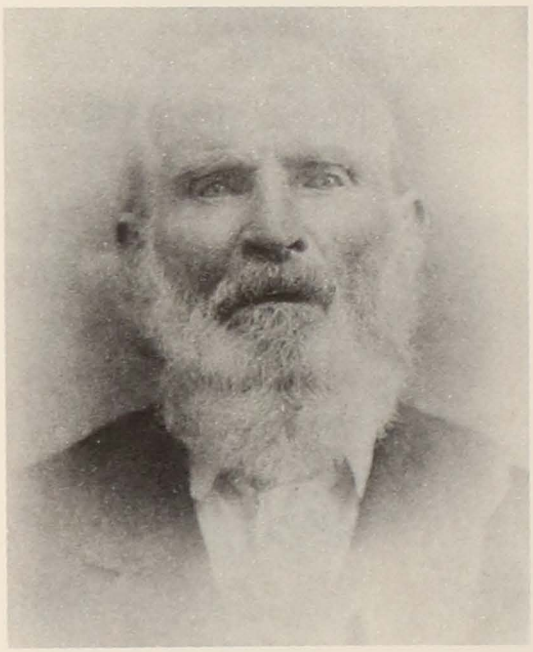
WASHINGTON COUNTY PIONEERS



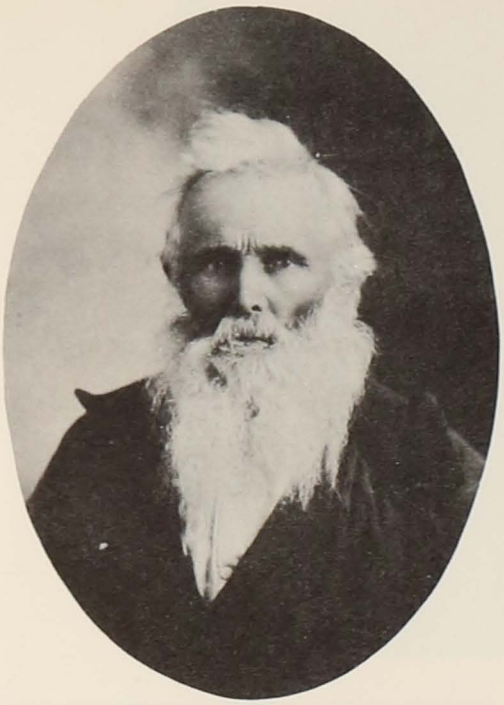
Jacob Preston Carnahan
long-time teacher
in Cane Hill College



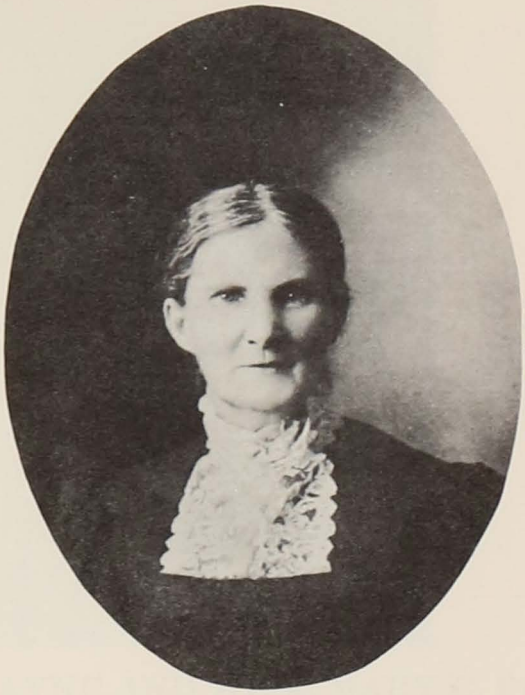
Samuel Cox
Born March 28, 1812
Died July 16, 1899



J. Rankin Pyeatt
of Cane Hill,
a Forty-Niner

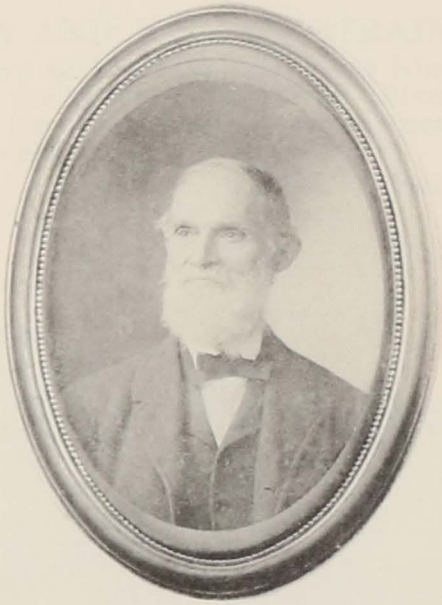


John Thaddeus Skelton



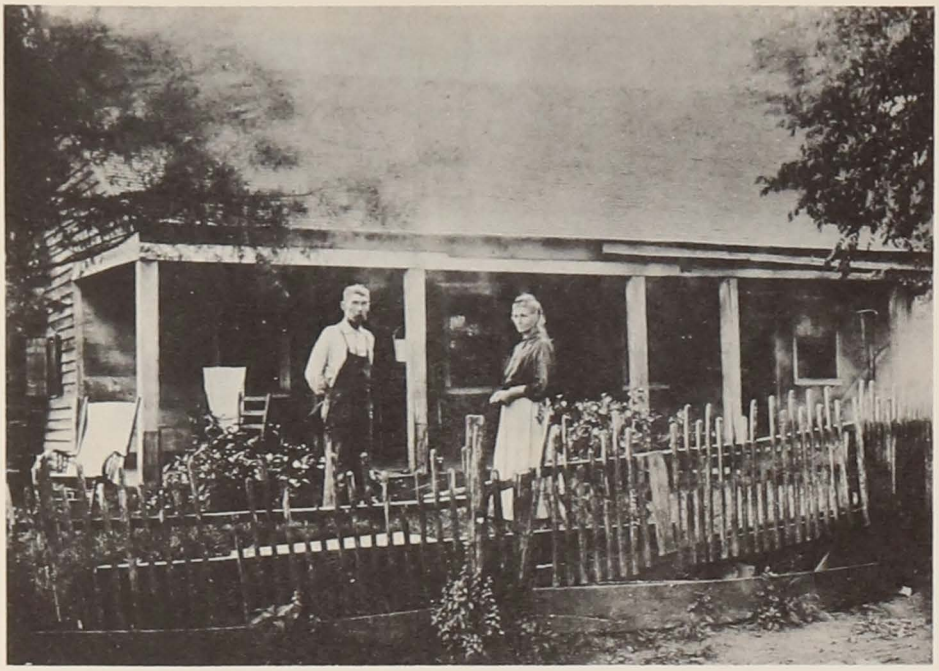
Rebekah Vernon Skelton
(Mrs. J. T.)

Delila Ann Davenport
(Mrs. T. E. Shelton)
born June 3, 1833



Thompson Ewing Shelton
born Mar. 29, 1828
married Jan. 22, 1852

Shelton photos courtesy of
T. Ewing Shelton, a grandson.



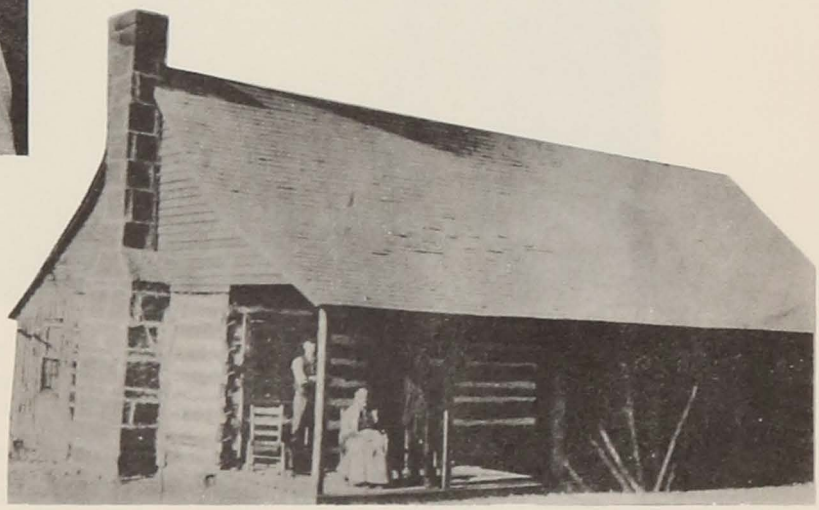
J. P. PAYNE AND WIFE, MARY C. PAYNE,

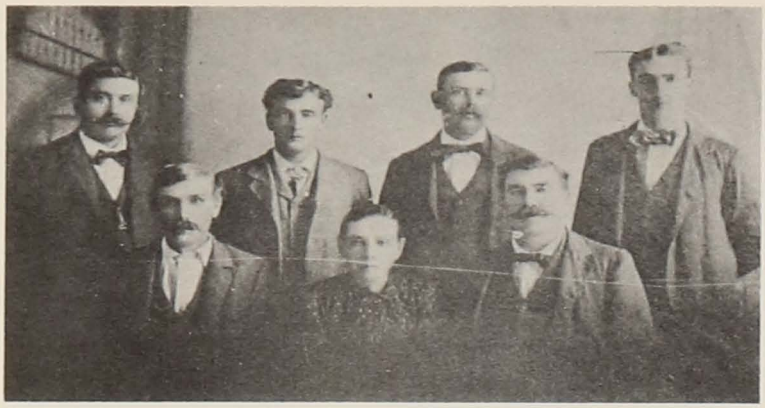
at the old Funkhouser place in 1907. The house was originally a double log house built by the Funkhousers in the early 1830s. The house stood where the Sterling Pitts home now stands at Sugar Hill.

(Photo courtesy Ruth Holt Payne)

WILLIAM AND EVELYN STRAIN,
better known as Uncle Bill and Aunt Nine, pioneers of the Middle Fork of White River. Their old log home (below) stood near Strain's church and school house.

(Photos courtesy Will Strain)





THE WILLIAMS FAMILY IN 1901

M. J., Ed, C. S., Mother, Claude, Al, T. A.

SULPHUR CITY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS about 1903

1. George W. VanHoose, 2. Mrs. G. W. (Nancy Ann Rowton) Van Hoose, 3. Mrs. Sarah Williford who m. 1) William Rowton and 2) John Fincher, 4. Mrs. George E. Henner, 5. George E. Henner, 6. Samuel Hale, 7. Mrs. Samuel Hale, 8. Mrs. Fannie (Levi) Sharp, 9. Mrs. J. L. McConnell, 10. John L. McConnell, 11. J. L. "Boy" Boaz, 12. Mrs. J. L. (Mary Hanshew) Boaz, 13. Harvey F. Head, 14. Mrs. H. F. (Belle Vansant) Head, 15. Mrs. Oscar P. Fallen, 16. Mrs. Wm. Riley Phillips, 17. Oscar P. Fallen, 18. Mrs. Jane Mankins Fincher who m. 1) John Mankins and 2) Charles Fincher, 19. Charles Fincher.

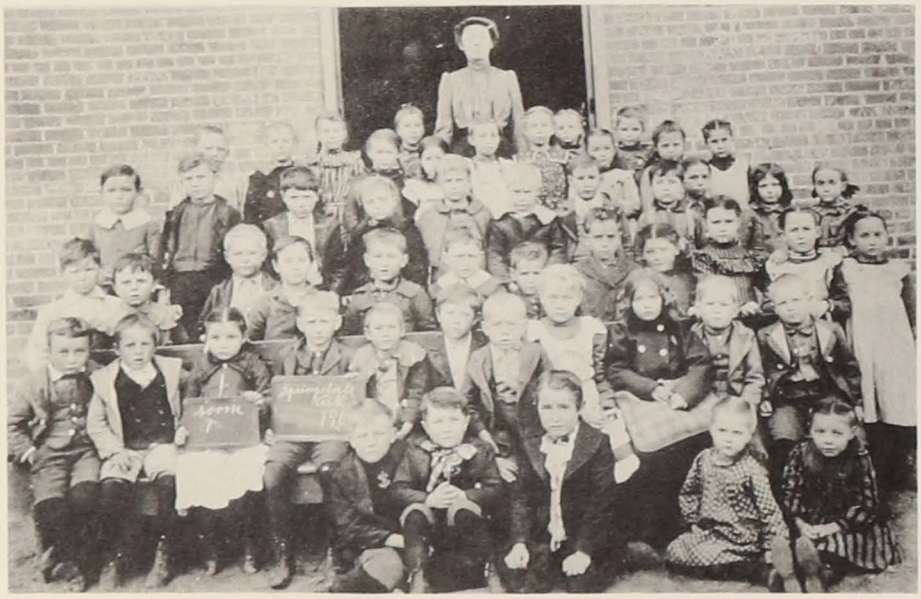
(Photo courtesy of Frank M. McConnell)

Miss Lola Umbaugh's Room in the Springdale Grade School
about the turn of the century

4th Grade of the Springdale Public School in 1903
Teacher (in middle of group) was Miss Myrtle Murphy. Among the pupils are the following: Leuvine Evins, Marian Berry, Georgia McCain, Maude McFarland, Lelia Lester, Agnes Young, Mabel Hewitt and Clara Rice.
Photos courtesy L. W. Searcy

Miss Ola Watson and Her First Grade in 1907

Miss Watson taught in the Springdale schools for 40 years and each year had her room photographed. The pictures are from the fine collection of old Springdale pictures belonging to L. W. Searcy.



Miss Ola Watson and Her Springdale First-Graders

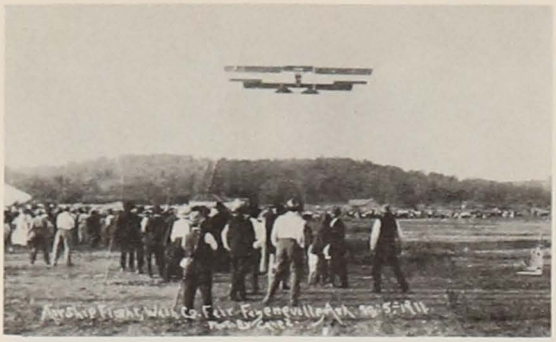
about the turn of the century. The building is the old Springdale grade school which stood at the corner of Main and Allen streets. Among the pupils that can be identified are Homer Graves, Dallas Petross, Jewell Beasley and Imogene Crutcher.

1903 Family Reunion at the Dial Baggett Home in Springdale.
Recognizable on the picture are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baggett, Mr. and Mrs. Dial Baggett, Dr. and Mrs. John Young, Willie Cox, Lewis Fitzgerald, Poly Taylor, and five members of the Lichlyter family.

(Photo courtesy Daisy Young Holcomb)

Reunion of Pupils of Col. Bridenthal, Clear Creek Academy, 1888
Col. David Bridenthal in front center. Others: Frank Stanfield and son, Dr. Mose Stearns, James Banks, Charles Watson, John L. Routh, Dr. E. F. Ellis, James Skillern, Sallie Rainwater, Thos. J. Bridenthal, Mrs. Byrd Henson, Van Pearson, Mary Cisco, Martha Vernon, Sarah Vernon, Maggie Cardwell, Mrs. Mary Fugitt, Tobe Stearns, Wm. Henson, William Mullins, Nancy Rainwater, Mary Vernon Standfield, Annie Banks Bradley.

R. L. Brown's store and cafe
at Lincoln, 1908



Airplane flight at Fayetteville
1911

Loading ties on St. Paul branch.
Alf Williams behind pile of ties.

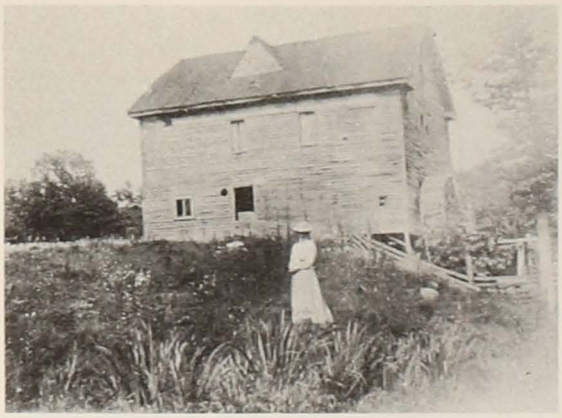
Frisco train wreck
at Johnson

Old Carnahan Mill at Cane Hill
encased in ice.

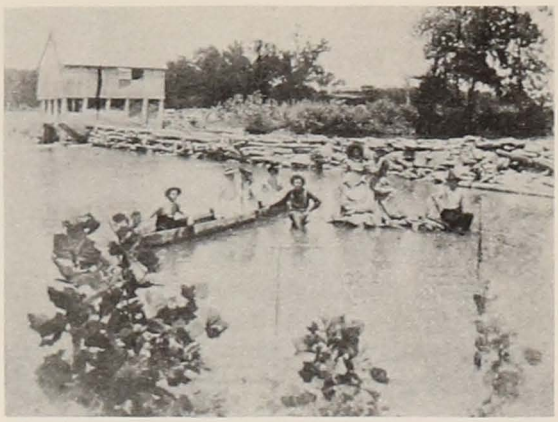
Armistice Day at Springdale

State convention of
Anti-Horse Thief Association

World War I parade at Springdale



Cave Springs Mill 1898



Finley's Mill near Robinson

Photos courtesy Jobelle Holcombe)

PARTY GIVEN FOR "DEAR OLD LADIES" BY REV. AND MRS. N. M. RAGLAND, 1912. Guests were Mesdames Julia McRoy, Virginia McCracken, Mary A. Schoolfield, S. J. Gaines, J. T. Skelton, B. R. Davidson, Sarah Bocock, E. J. Crouch, T. Shelton, S. A. Patton, D. C. Scott, C. C. Conner, M. S. Rieff, Helen Duke and C. W. Walker.

(Photo courtesy Gladys Bozarth)

THE NEWS IN NINETY-NINE

L.W.Searcy has loaned us a copy of the Springdale News dated July 7, 1899. The big news story in this issue was the dedication of the First Baptist Church, which editor J.P.Stafford reported in great detail -- "The sermon gave evidence of thoughtful care in its preparation"; "The dedicatory prayer by Elder Phillips was earnest and impressive"; "Although the church was crowded, the excellent ventilation made it pleasant for all"; "The pulpit was nicely decorated with bouquets of natural flowers." The article also included a history of the church, organized as Liberty Church in February 1870 and name changed to Springdale Church in December 1886.

Another news story told of the arrival of two chautauqua lecturers. One was Dr. Samuel Phelps Leland ("World Making" and "The Wonders of a Sunbeam.") and Professor Dana ("On Foot and by Rail through Ireland"). These distinguished visitors were "domiciled" at the Arcade Hotel. The big name of the 1899 Springdale chautauqua was W.J.Bryan, who was to lecture on July 24. Bryan had failed to appear in 1898 and the Huntsville Democrat warned its readers against believing the "colored posters" of the chautauqua in 1899. To which Editor Stafford replied: "We saw with our own eyes the letter received by Prof. Shinn from Mr. Bryan, written with his own hand, in which he says he will speak twice during his stay in Springdale."

Other local news reported by the 1899 News:

The sale of season tickets to the Chautauqua is about 500.

The News said last week that W.B. Brogdon was paying 65 cts per bushel for apples. It should have been "barrel" instead of "bushel."

Prof.Howell, formerly teacher in the State University, will take charge of Mountain Home College in Baxter County.

J. A. Jones of Chicago has been in town this week exhibiting a new gasoline light.The light is formed from a gas generated from the gasoline and is almost equal to electric lights.

Nearly 400 crates of blackberries were shipped Monday. They averaged $1 per crate.

The Fourth of July celebrations in this section were rained out. A number of Springdale people went up to Rogers, notwithstanding the rain.

Chautauqua visitors are arriving almost every day.

Professional Cards

Ellis & Stearns (E.F.Ellis, M.D. and M. Stears, M.D.), associated physicians and surgeons.

P.A. Johnson M.D., Oxford's Bend, Washington County, Ark.

D.C.Summers, M.D., Elm Springs.

Advertisements

Go to H.W.Johnson for all kinds of oak lumber. Mill at Head's Ford on White River.

Silver Moon Restaurant, I.E.Jack, proprietor.

G.W.Kennan, Springdale's old reliable jeweler.

G.W.Tromater, photographer.

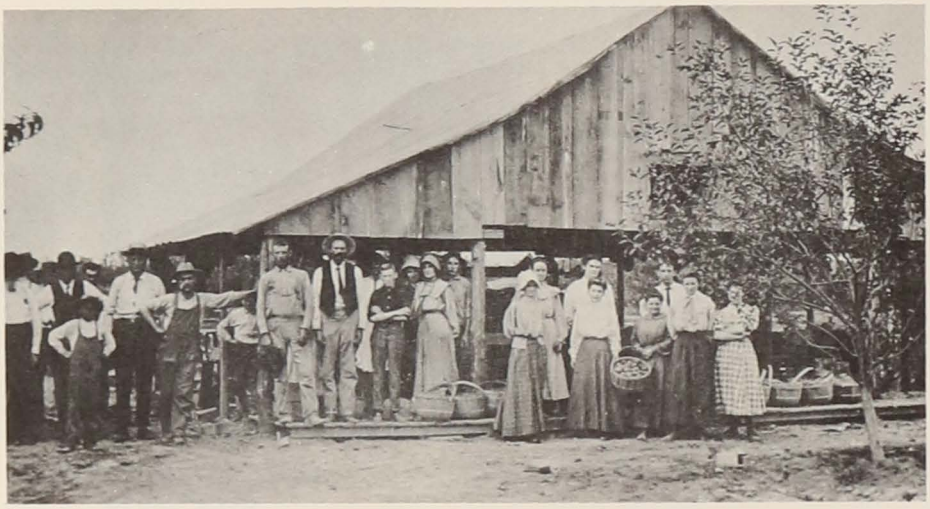
"Own your own home in the apple orchard of the world." Johnson & Shipley, Drake's Creek, Ark.

Bee Hive Store, P.J. Yeager, proprietor.

Searcy Bros., dry goods,boots and shoes, hats and caps.

APPLES and PEACHES at Springdale

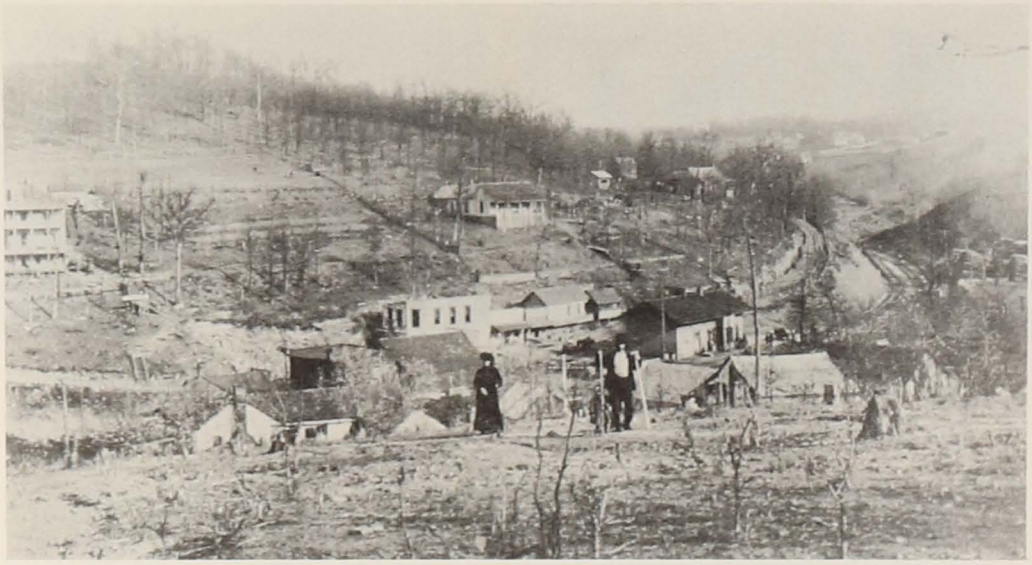
Twenty-five wagon-loads of apples enroute to Jones Bros. & Company in Springdale.



Peach pickers in the Springdale area about 1910.

Crew of apple pickers in a Springdale orchard.

Photos courtesy of L. W. Searcy



WINSLOW
at the Turn of the Century

WINSLOW TUNNEL
about 1895

(Winslow photos courtesy
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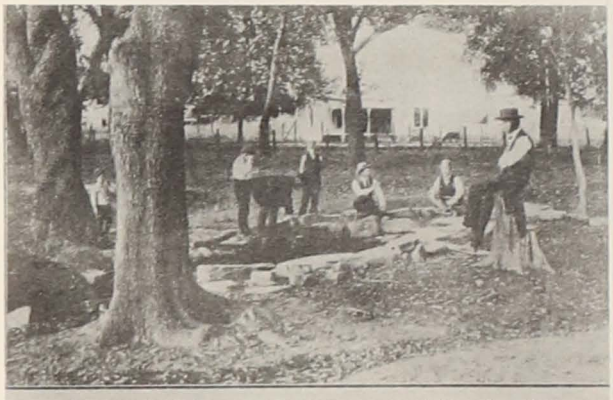


The Big Spring in the center of Prairie Grove, surrounded by a 4 acre Park
Owned by Dr. W. H. Mock

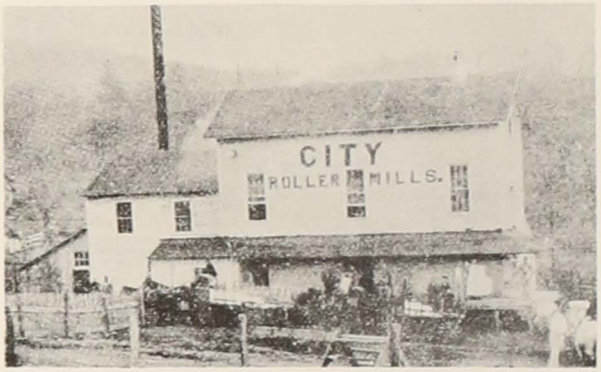
Community Building housing sulphur spring at Sulphur City. Building erected 1890; photo 1922. In picture are: Lettie E. Ramey-Reese, Matilda Ramey-Reed, William M. Reed, William M. Reed, Lenna Reed-Phillips and Hugh Reese.

(Photo courtesy F. M. McConnell)

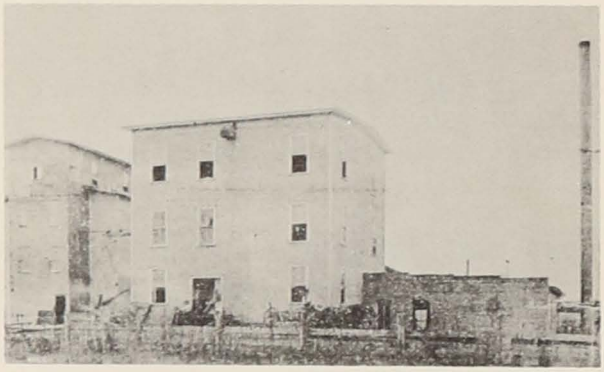
FARMINGTON

RHEA'S MILL

WEST FORK



FAYETTEVILLE



PRAIRIE GROVE

Other flour mills at the turn of the century were operating at Savoy, Dutch Mills, Evansville, Cane Hill, Goshen, Johnson and elsewhere. The Washington County Historical Society would welcome information and pictures of any of the county's old mills.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE IN THE SPRINGDALE NEWS, July 7, 1899

JOHNSON S.A.Luper has been assisting in the renovation of the roller mill during the past week.....The Mail crane is in as bad shape as ever. The northbound cannon ball failed to catch the mail four out of the seven evenings of last week....The directors having our school building matter in charge, will meet at the Switch Friday evening.

ELM SPRINGS Dr. J.L.Smiley is confined to his residence on account of sickness.....The Abercrombie threshing machine is waking things up west of town...Rev.T.A.Martin will begin a protracted meeting at Grand View church....James Reed has been putting up hay on his Spring Creek and Sheffield farms...W.D.Pearson is thinking of erecting an evaporator at this place.....Road overseer Morrison who has been grading the roads the past week, has been working the Italians exclusively.He says they are the best roadsters he has worked.

WEST FORK G. W. Baringer, Jason and Charley Patterson spent two days fishing near Ladd's Mill and caught all they could eat....Mr.Bryan has commenced to buy apples to ship...W. H. Whitlow has leased what is known as the Fincher Cave, 12 miles southeast of town, and has converted it into a cold storage for eggs. One hundred and forty cases were taken Monday, besides lumber and other material, with a full force of carpenters to do the necessary work.

THORNBERRY Dr.Alden, the owner of the Wager Mill has sent his rollers off to have them dressed.....Ernest Heseltine, the Wager blacksmith, has bought an interest in the shop at Elm Springs...S.N.Haxton of Springdale was down on his farm Monday.

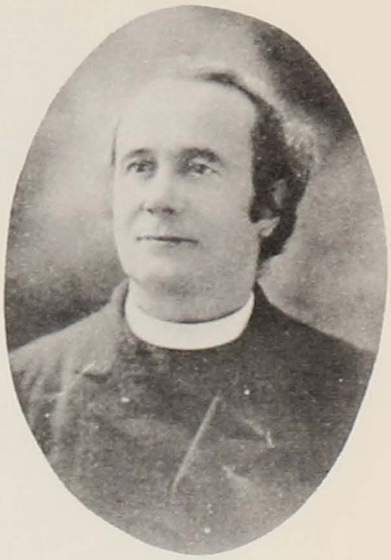
GOSHEN Dr.C.E.Swift was run over by a bicycle last wek... Mayfield & Slaughter are running an apple dryer here...Tom Wilks and Elmore Harris of Hindsville passed Goshen Monday going to Fayetteville...Dr.T.W.Clark has bought Dr.Johnson's office at Fayetteville and has moved there. The people of Goshen are sorry to lose Dr.Clark.

HINDSVILLE The younger crowd was picknicking at Walkers Spring Saturday.....There was a show in town Friday night but the attendance was not very large....Lona Slaughter and Miss Pearl Clark came up from Goshen Sunday.

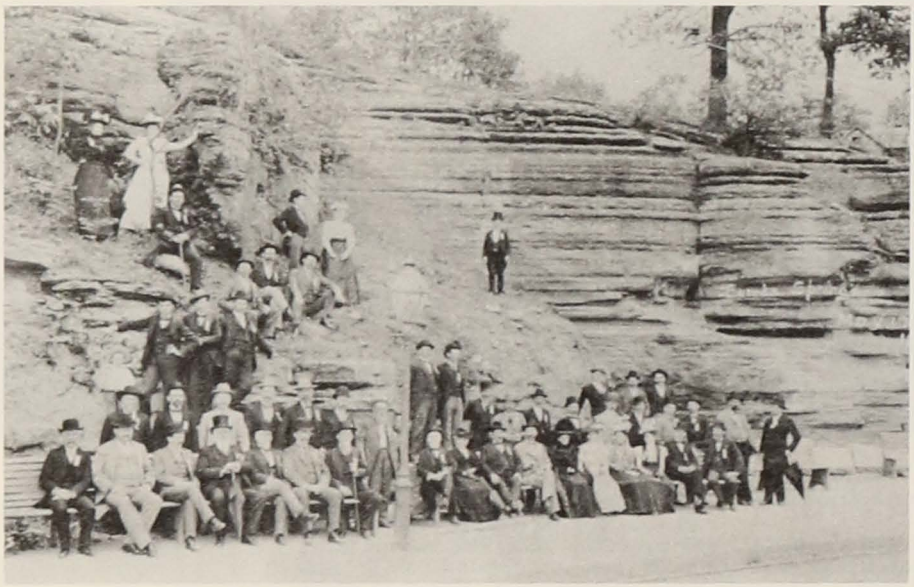
MACEDONIA A new baby arrived at Oscar Hash's last Thursday. Ben Abney ran into the driving belt to a threshing machine this week. He is somewhat disfigured.....Mr.Holmsley, the noted musician of Spring Valley, took dinner at Allen Hammon's Sunday. He sang a few pieces in the school house.....John Stelle of Greenland will enter school here Monday...Uncle Lige Mayfield visited his sister who lives on Dry Creek.

LOWELL Quite a crowd went from here to fish on War Eagle. They returned with a few fish but some of enormous size got loose...Ray Davis was thrown from a horse Sunday and hurt.... Lewis & Co. have their new thresher ready and began threshing Monday.. L.H.Price left Monday for Clayton, I.T....An agent for school supplies was interviewing the directors last week.

Visit of the Italian ambassador to the United States to Tontitown about the turn of the century.



Rev. P. Bandini
Founder of Tontitown



Convention of the Arkansas Medical Society at Eureka Springs in 1898. Fourth from the left in the front row, with tall silk hat and umbrella, is Dr. W. B. Welch of Fayetteville.

(Photo courtesy of Dr. W. A. Fowler)

M. W. "MACK" McROY'S PRINTING OFFICE
on East Center Street at the turn of the century. Mr. McRoy wearing derby hat. Second from left is E. A. "Boge" Bridenthal.

OZARK GROCERY COMPANY BANQUET IN DECEMBER 1912

This picture was submitted by L. W. Searcy of Springdale and identifications made by Z. L. Reagan of Rogers, both of whom appear on the picture.

Beginning upper left and going around the table clockwise, the individuals are J. K. Jordan, John Davis, C. H. Brough, G. W. Rattenbury, J. J. Baggett, Chas. McCatherine, Jack Adams, Hart Slaughter, Perry Haygood, Z. L. Reagon, Otto Slaughter, Clyde Sanders, Sam Cecil, Ed Rough, Sam Dennis, Bill Horton, O. B. (Pete) Hanks, Jim Stratton, Otis Crumpler, Harry Hughes, Harvey Trammel, Roy Gregory and L. W. Searcy.

Missing on the picture are Cliff McCatherine and Lona Slaughter. The latter had built a new store at Goshen and had resigned his job at the Ozark a short time before the picture was taken.

A BRIEF BACKWARD LOOK

---1960---

This special issue of FLASHBACK completes ten years of activity for the Washington County Historical Society. There's a certain satisfaction in looking back and remembering all the local history that might hav ebeen lost if we hadn't published it in our various periodicals. We owe a special debt to our predecessors, especially the Goodspeed Company that published a history of Washington County in 1889 and to W.S.Campbell who wrote his "One Hundred Years of Fayetteville"in 1928. Much local history was preserved by the Cane Hill folks -- the Buchanans, J.P.Carnahan, Rev. Braly, and especially Ellen Earle Richardson. Springdale owes a debt to J. P. Stafford for recording its history. Earlier newspapermen, like J.H.VanHoose, William Quesenbury, and Elias Boudinot, left a valuable record. The University has always had staff members who recorded history, among them D.Y.Thomas, J.C.Futrall, V.L. Jones, W.N.Gladson, J.S.Waterman, Jim P. Matthews, Harrison Hale, A.M. Harding, Jobelle Holcombe, H.G.Hotz, and many more. Other recorders of Washington County history would include Rufus J. Nelson, Rowena Gallaway, D.C.ambrose, Billie K. Rose, Cecil Shuford, Lessie Stringfellow Read, Maude Duncan, and many more.

Our own decade (1951-1961) has produced an impressive list of writers of local history -- O. E. Williams, Bernice Karnes, Tom Feathers, Ruth Holt Payne, Alan G. Skelton, R.E.L.Bearden, Jack Greathouse, A.S. Humphreys, Mrs. George L. Hilton, F. S. Root, Mrs.W.W.Vaught, Deane G. Carter, Margaret Ann Troutman -- all of whose contributions have appeared from time to time in FLASHBACK.

In an age when statistics prevail and answers can be computed on an IBM machine, it is heartening to know that there are still some folks who remember where we came from and how we got to 1961. Where we go from here is in the hands of groups that operate on a larger budget than the $1,038 that 346 dedicated members of our county historical society contributed to our work last year.

W. J. LEMKE
Editor of Publications

WORKING THE ROADS IN 1913

Business men of Fayetteville respond to proclamation of Governor Hays to work the roads Sept. 3-4, 1913. Among the men who can be recognized on the picture are: Bruce Holcomb, Z. L. Reagan, John Tillman, Bill Yates, E. E. Mashburn, J. J. Baggett, John Snyder, E. C. Pritchard, Earl Ellis, Jerome Reynolds, Bill Lewis, Art Lewis, Hugh Reagan, Bose Williams and Charles Winkleman.

FAYETTEVILLE GUN CLUB about 1905

Front row, l. to r.: Frank Martin, Chas. Winkleman, A. F. Wolf, Dan Bohart, Link Gregg, Joe Bell, W. F. Stirman.

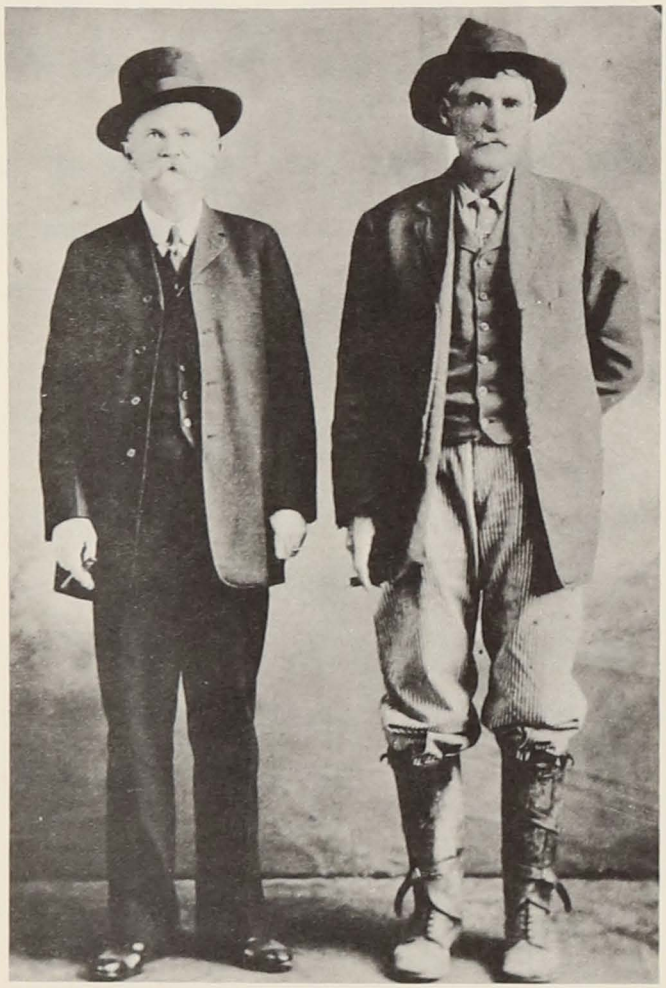
Standing: Lafe Nettleship, Z. L. Reagan, C. O. Hansard, Burtis Rudolph, Charles Harding, B. N. Wilson, Shannon Bohart, Jack Whitten, Dr. Floyd Hight, Welch Gregg, Allen Davis, Will Anderson.

Photos courtesy of Z. L. Reagan

VOL WALKER AND FRIEND

(Left) Vol Walker and friend — believed to be the Rev. Moses Dutton, Methodist preacher. Note Vol's cigar in left hand. Also note the preacher's umbrella and pouch, the latter for his Bible and whatever produce he could pick up between Goshen and Fayetteville.

Photo by courtesy of
Karl Greenhaw



(Right): Vol Walker and friend — Ike Holcomb, noted fox hunter of the West Fork area. Note Vol's cigar in right hand and similar accessory in Ike's hand.

Photo by courtesy of
George F. Caudle

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

We, the members of the Washington County Historical Society, should feel deeply indebted to our editor, W. J. Lemke, for the know-how and the untiring work he has put into this picture booklet, "The Gay Nineties" and the Turn of the Century". I am sure it will give you much pleasure. And it comes to you as a bonus, for paying your 1961 membership dues before the 1st of January.

Getting the pictures for this issue has been no easy job. We appreciate the help of all those who furnished pictures and information.

Our Society has come a long way since it was organized ten years ago. It is now recognized as one of the outstanding county historical societies in the nation. This has been accomplished by the excellent editorial work of Mr.Lemke, the help of many others, and the fact that 364 persons were willing to invest $3 in the work of the Society.

We can use more memberships. Our supplies -- paper, stencils, ink, envelopes, even postage -- cost more today, but our dues remain the same. So won't you please tell your friends and neighbors about FLASHBACK and the work that the Washington County Historical Society is doing to preserve the history of our county? Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

ROY A. SCOTT, president